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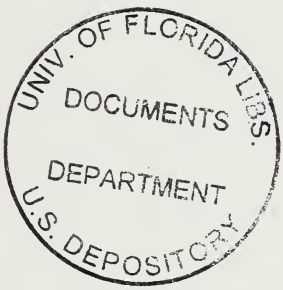

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Biography

Winston Lewis Prouty was born in Newport, Orleans County, Vt., September 1, 1906; attended the public schools of Newport, Bordentown (N.J.) Military Institute, and Lafayette College, Easton, Pa.; mayor of Newport 1938–41; member of the State house of representatives in 1941, 1945, and 1947, serving as speaker in 1947; chairman of Vermont State Water Conservation Board 1948–50; officer and director of family-owned lumber and building material enterprises; elected as a Republican to the Eighty-second and to the three succeeding Congresses (January 3, 1951–January 3, 1959); was not a candidate for renomination in 1958; elected to the United States Senate in 1958; reelected in 1964 and 1970 for the term ending January 3, 1977; died in Boston, Mass., September 10, 1971; interment in Pine Grove Cemetery, Newport, Vt.

MEMORIAL SERVICES
FOR
WINSTON L. PROUTY

Proceedings in the Senate

MONDAY, *September 13, 1971.*

The Senate met at 10 a.m. and was called to order by the President pro tempore [Mr. Ellender].

The Chaplain, the Reverend Edward L. R. Elson, D.D., offered the following prayer:

Eternal Father, in whom we live and move and have our being, we thank Thee for the life and work of our fallen comrade, WINSTON L. PROUTY.

We give thanks to Thee for his selfless service to his State, to the Nation, and to the world.

For his dedication to human betterment, the care of the aged, help for the needy, and instruction to the young, we give Thee thanks. For his fidelity to high trust, for his elevated patriotism, and his devotion to the cause of justice and peace at home and abroad, we give Thee thanks. For his gentle manner, his quiet demeanor, and his steadfast faith in Thee, we give Thee thanks. May the memory of his great and good life speak to us of the higher qualities which abide all time and move us to a deeper commitment to be Thy faithful servants all our days.

And now we beseech Thee to be with all who serve in this Chamber, that we may have wisdom and grace to do justly, to love mercy, and to walk humbly with Thee.

In the Redeemer's name we pray. Amen.

Mr. MANSFIELD. Mr. President, for the information of the Senate, and after discussing the matter with the distinguished minority leader, the Senator from Pennsylvania [Mr. SCOTT], we wish to announce that tomorrow the Senate will be in session from 10 o'clock in the morning until 1 o'clock in the afternoon. At that

time, we will adjourn and the membership will then have the opportunity to attend the funeral services for our late departed and beloved colleague, Senator WINSTON L. PROUTY. The funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. in Georgetown.

On Wednesday, September 15, the Senate will meet and any votes which might be considered that day will be postponed until Thursday, so that Senators who wish to attend the funeral in Vermont will be able to do so on that basis.

Mr. AIKEN. Mr. President, for 33 years, WINSTON PROUTY devoted most of his time to public service on the local, State, and national scene.

Eight of these years were served in the U.S. House of Representatives and nearly 13 in the U.S. Senate.

During the 21 years in the U.S. Congress, WIN devoted much of his time to urging assistance to the needy and underprivileged people of this Nation, the sick, the poor, and those in need of educational opportunity.

His record in this field is outstanding.

Last Friday, September 10, his distinguished career came to an end.

The omnipotent power which mankind has never been able to fathom or define and which controls the course and destiny of every one of us, called for my colleague WIN PROUTY to come home.

Since I expect there will be a time set aside for Members of this Senate to pay their respects to our devoted colleague on this floor, I will say no more at this time.

Mrs. Aiken joins me in extending to Mrs. Prouty and the members of the Prouty family our deepest sympathy.

Mr. MANSFIELD. If the distinguished minority leader will yield momentarily, and the Senator from Vermont will yield me the remainder of my time, just to join the distinguished Senator from Vermont [Mr. Aiken] in the remarks he has just expressed about our late beloved colleague, Senator WINSTON L. PROUTY, I would say we will miss him; we will miss WIN PROUTY because of his many outstanding contributions which his senior colleague has just enumerated.

Most especially, I should say that Senator PROUTY held a large place in his heart for the older citizens of this country. He was their advocate and friend. He worked consistently and tirelessly to bring

about the betterment of their lives, and the improvement of their condition in our society. No Member of this body understood better or appreciated more the needs of older Americans.

We will all miss him. His will be a place most difficult to fill. His work for educational improvements, and his efforts to better the health and welfare of all Americans are a legacy of great distinction. WINSTON PROUTY of Vermont served his Nation with deep devotion and high integrity. His loss is profound; it will be felt in the days, weeks, months, and years ahead. I certainly join in extending the condolences of this institution to his wife and loved ones.

Mr. SCOTT. Mr. President, first, I should like to say, so that the Congressional Record will show it, that those Senators who find it possible to make arrangements to be in Vermont on Wednesday next, will, I hope, notify the appropriate Senate officials so that arrangements can be made for them to attend the funeral of Senator PROUTY. I am sure that is what the distinguished majority leader would wish also.

Mr. President, at a later date I shall have more to say about my good friend and colleague, WIN PROUTY.

We served in the House together. We came over here to the Senate on the same day. There were three of us on this side of the aisle who came over as new Senators then, Senator PROUTY, Senator Keating of New York, and myself.

WIN PROUTY and I were associated for a long time together. We were longtime friends. I was tremendously devoted to him and his dear wife.

We miss him sorely. A very fine and wonderful man has gone on to his reward.

At some future time, we will all have an opportunity to pay a more adequate tribute to him.

Mr. AIKEN. Mr. President, I send to the desk two resolutions and ask for their prompt consideration.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The first resolution will be stated.

The assistant legislative clerk read the resolution as follows:

SENATE RESOLUTION 165

Resolved, That the Senate has heard with profound sorrow and deep regret the announcement of the death of the Honorable WINSTON L. PROUTY, late a Senator from the State of Vermont.

Resolved, That a committee of Senators be appointed by the President of the Senate to attend the funeral of the deceased.

Resolved, That the Secretary communicate these resolutions to the House of Representatives and transmit an enrolled copy thereof to the family of the deceased.

Resolved, That when the Senate adjourns today, it adjourn as a further mark of respect to the memory of the deceased Senator.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Is there objection to the immediate consideration of the resolution?

There being no objection, the resolution was considered and agreed to unanimously.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The second resolution will be stated.

The assistant legislative clerk read the resolution as follows:

SENATE RESOLUTION 166

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Senate is hereby authorized and directed to pay from the contingent fund of the Senate the actual and necessary expenses incurred by the committee appointed to arrange for and attend the funeral of the Honorable WINSTON L. PROUTY, late a Senator from the State of Vermont, on vouchers to be approved by the chairman of the Committee on Rules and Administration.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Is there objection to consideration of the second resolution?

There being no objection, the resolution was considered and agreed to.

Mr. STENNIS. Mr. President, I wish to express my regret at the passing of Senator PROUTY on Friday, September 10, and to extend my deep sympathy to his family and to the people of Vermont, whom he represented so ably in the Senate.

WINSTON PROUTY was a man of great integrity and courage. Quiet and gentlemanly in manner, he was a dedicated and effective Member of this body. He worked especially hard on behalf of the elderly and the unfortunate, championing their cause with consistency and skill.

Senator PROUTY's 20 years in Congress—8 years in the House and 12 years in the Senate—are a testimonial to the esteem with which he was held by the people of Vermont. The memories he leaves with each of his colleagues in the Senate are testimonials to

our individual esteem for him, as a Senator, as a man, and as a friend. We will miss him here, and he will be greatly missed by the people of Vermont.

I wish to extend my condolences to Mrs. Prouty, in her time of grief.

Mr. BYRD of West Virginia, Mr. President, under the order entered earlier today, the Senate will adjourn on tomorrow not later than 1 o'clock p.m. for the purpose of allowing Senators to attend the services which will be conducted for our late departed colleague, Senator WINSTON L. PROUTY. Those services will be held at the Georgetown Presbyterian Church, which is located at 3115 P Street NW. The services will be conducted at 2 o'clock p.m., with the Reverend Edward L. R. Elson, Senate Chaplain officiating. The Senate delegation will depart from the Senate steps of the Capitol at 1:15 p.m.

As the distinguished majority leader stated earlier today, and votes that might normally occur on Wednesday will be put over until Thursday so as to assure Senators that there will be no roll-call votes on Wednesday, the day on which the interment of our late departed colleague Senator PROUTY, will take place in his native State of Vermont.

Mr. President, if there be no further business to come before the Senate, I move, in accordance with the previous order, and, pursuant to Senate Resolution 165, as a further mark of respect to the memory of the late Senator WINSTON L. PROUTY, of Vermont, that the Senate now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to; and (at 4 o'clock and 39 minutes p.m.) the Senate adjourned until tomorrow, Tuesday, September 14, 1971, at 10 a.m.

TUESDAY, *September 14, 1971.*

Mr. McGEE. Mr. President, it is with a deep sense of loss that I rise to pay my respects to the memory of a very esteemed colleague, WINSTON PROUTY. His death last week came as a shock to all of us who deeply respected his attributes.

WINSTON PROUTY was a man of high integrity and honor, who totally committed himself to the work of public service.

Few of us now in the Senate can forget the hard and articulate fight he led for the social security program in 1968. His pleas for a guaranteed annual income at that time clearly indicated he was a man of vision. I know the rest of my colleagues share this sense of loss and mourn the passing of a great statesman. This has been a tragic loss, not only for the people of Vermont, but for the Nation as well.

Mr. RIBICOFF. I was saddened to learn of the death last Friday of the distinguished junior Senator from Vermont, WINSTON L. PROUTY.

Senator PROUTY had served the people of Vermont well over the last 33 years, first as mayor of Newport, then as a State representative, and later as the chairman of the State water conservation board. In 1950, he was elected to the first of four terms in the House of Representatives and in 1958 won the first of three elections to the Senate.

All of us who served with WIN PROUTY will remember his distinguished work on the District of Columbia, Rules, Labor and Public Welfare, and Commerce Committees, especially his efforts on behalf of the elderly, the St. Lawrence Seaway, and Federal aid for school construction.

Senator PROUTY's reflective manner and effective advocacy will be sorely missed by the Senate, the citizens of Vermont, and the entire Nation.

Mr. BYRD of Virginia. Mr. President, I am deeply saddened, as is every Member of the Senate, at the death of our esteemed colleague, Senator WINSTON L. PROUTY, of Vermont.

Senator PROUTY, a native and resident of Newport, Vt., gave 33 years of his life to the public service of his State and Nation.

During the 21 years he served in Congress, Senator PROUTY was a steadfast patriot, one who championed the causes of education, the workingman, and the elderly.

Senator PROUTY was a thoughtful man and an effective legislator. Spare of frame and quiet in manner, Senator PROUTY showed a dogged persistence and attention to detail that always helped the Senate to produce sounder legislation.

Senator PROUTY may be best remembered for his efforts in behalf of senior citizens, but in every area where he turned his attention, he proved himself a faithful, dedicated public servant.

Mr. INOUYE. Mr. President, Senator WINSTON PROUTY was noted for his tenacious perseverance in carrying out his responsibilities as a U.S. Senator. He represented his State and his people well.

In addition to his State constituency, today there are millions of Americans who grieve his passing, in particular, the elder citizens of our Nation for whom he was in the forefront proposing legislation to provide a better life for them.

WIN PROUTY will be missed. I join my colleagues in expressing my condolences to his wife.

THURSDAY, *September 16, 1971.*

Mr. WILLIAMS. Mr. President, I wish to join with my fellow Members of Congress in paying appropriate tribute to the late Senator from Vermont, a good friend and devoted public servant, WINSTON PROUTY, who passed away last Friday.

Few men deserved more or were qualified more to serve the people of their States. Senator PROUTY's background of public offices and positions has demonstrated this capability. As mayor of his hometown of Newport, as speaker of the Vermont House of Representatives, and as a distinguished Member of both Houses of the U.S. Congress, WINSTON PROUTY gave to the people of Vermont and the Nation a most sincere dedication. While he was a strong supporter of his party and his State, he frequently evidenced a willingness to take an independent stand on controversial issues.

Mr. President, I served with Senator PROUTY closely in past years on the Senate Special Committee on Aging and the Committee on Labor and Public Welfare. I know firsthand his outstanding record as a leader in aiding the Nation's elderly and as a supporter of social security legislation. His presence in this body of Congress will surely be missed.

Mr. BEALL. Mr. President, it is with great sorrow that the Senate and the Nation mark the passing of Senator WINSTON PROUTY, of Vermont.

We who are new to this body looked to WIN PROUTY for both his strength of character and his high sense of duty to this country. I had the honor and privilege to serve with Senator PROUTY on the Committee on Labor and Public Welfare, where his deep concern for the well-being of all Americans was so often exhibited.

WIN PROUTY devoted his 21 years of congressional service to the poor, the sick, the needy, and the underprivileged of the country. He fought diligently for greater educational opportunities for all his countrymen. He labored tirelessly for the aged, making certain America did not forget the people who made her great. In short, no Member of this body better understood the human needs of his country than did WINSTON PROUTY.

Those of us in the Senate will miss him. Those whose cause he so eloquently advocated will also miss him. It falls to us to continue with even greater vigor his humanitarian work for the betterment of this Nation. That will be the most fitting eulogy. WINSTON PROUTY would have it no other way.

Mr. MOSS. Mr. President, I rise to join my fellow Members of Congress in paying appropriate tribute to the memory of our esteemed colleague, the late Senator from Vermont, WINSTON L. PROUTY.

For 33 years, Senator PROUTY faithfully served the people of his State and Nation as a man of high integrity, championing the causes of education, the workingman, and the elderly. His long record of public service included positions as mayor of his hometown of Newport, as speaker of the Vermont House of Representatives, and as a distinguished Member of both Houses of the U.S. Congress.

Mr. President, in past years I have served with WIN PROUTY on the Commerce Committee and the Senate Special Committee on Aging. I know firsthand his distinguished efforts especially on behalf of the elderly.

Senator PROUTY's thoughtful manner and effective advocacy as a dedicated public servant will be sorely missed by the Senate, the citizens of his State, Vermont, and the entire Nation.

Mr. DOLE. Mr. President, this month the Senate, the Republican Party, and the country lost a devoted and conscientious servant, Senator WINSTON L. PROUTY of Vermont.

First, the mayor of his hometown, Newport, Vt., then a distinguished member of the State legislature, a Representative in Congress and finally a U.S. Senator, WIN PROUTY exemplified the selfless, public-spirited sense of responsibility and dedication to progress which is so vital to the functioning of our democratic system of Government. During his 13 years in the Senate, he earned the respect and admiration of all his colleagues through hard work—attention to the needs and concerns of his State and by demonstrating his quiet, thoughtful leadership in behalf of his Nation's best interests. For, while a steadfast Republican and often in a position of opposition to the administration in office, he always viewed his responsibilities in the Senate from a national rather than a partisan perspective. His leadership on issues affecting the strength of the American economy and the needs of the aged, the workingman, the handicapped and the poor will be felt and appreciated for many years to come.

WIN PROUTY's absence will diminish the Senate, for his expertise, compassion and understanding cannot be replaced. However, his contributions to the Congress, to his State of Vermont and to the United States will be fitting and enduring memorials to his life and work.

He was held in high regard by his fellow Vermonters of all political persuasions, and having served in the Senate with him, I know that his contribution to the work of this body was recognized and valued by all his colleagues from both sides of the aisle. Speaking as chairman of the Republican Party, I know how deeply his loss will be felt by his associates and many friends throughout the Nation who knew him as one of the party's most conscientious, hard working and valuable leaders.

He was a man of integrity and compassion who valued and revered the ideals of America, and his lifetime of public service contributed significantly to the realization of those ideals for all Americans.

WEDNESDAY, *September 22, 1971.*

Mr. ALLOTT. Mr. President, Senator WINSTON L. PROUTY, whose death we all mourn, typified the great State he so ably represented.

His virtues were distinctly Vermont virtues. From Vermont has come the kind of steady patriotism that made the American Revolution a success. From Vermont comes the tradition of quiet, competent public service.

The people of Vermont had many reasons for reposing their trust in Senator PROUTY. One reason was his complete personification of the temperament of that great people. When Americans praise the Yankee virtues of New England, they are praising the virtues that made Senator PROUTY loved in the Senate and in his State, and will cause him to be greatly missed.

THURSDAY, *September 23, 1971.*

Mr. AIKEN. Mr. President, Newport, Vt., a small city of 5,000 persons, located near the Canadian border on the southern shores of Lake Memphremagog is a trading center for the hundreds of farmers in one of the most productive dairy counties of the Nation; it is a mecca for fishermen the country over who try their luck for the salmon and rainbows which run the waters of the Clyde, the Black, the Willoughby, and the Barton Rivers in the spring and the pickerel and perch which are waiting to be taken through the ice in South Bay during the winter.

Newport, the largest town in an area which is noted for the finest of wood products of birch and maple and softwoods for building purposes—and above all else a community where neighbor knows neighbor—where French and English commingle as the spoken languages—and the border between Vermont and Quebec is sometimes almost indistinguishable.

This is the community which produced WIN PROUTY, where he grew to manhood, and which he so well typified during his long and distinguished career as a businessman, public servant, and good neighbor.

WIN PROUTY was more than a colleague to me; he was a coworker and a friend.

A review of the Senate records will show that we worked together in this body for the same objectives most of the time.

Senator PROUTY's record in both the House and the Senate consistently shows his concern for the poor and the aged and his strong belief in equal educational opportunities for all.

In addition to his work on his own committees, WIN PROUTY consistently supported all important agricultural legislation, especially measures affecting the rural electrification and rural development programs.

While a Member of the House, he supported the St. Lawrence Seaway when powerful business interests were trying to block the necessary authorizing legislation.

At the time of his death, Senator PROUTY was the ranking Republican member of the Rules Committee and the Special Committee on Aging, and he was the senior Republican on six subcommittees.

He served with distinction as a member of the Commerce Committee, the Committee on Labor and Public Welfare, and the District of Columbia Committee, a post he relinquished last year for a place on the Rules Committee.

During his tenure on the District of Columbia Committee, a detailed survey by the General Accounting Office was made of the three inner city areas of the District at his request.

This work provided valuable source material about urban poverty which has helped in drafting corrective legislation.

As the ranking Republican on the Education Subcommittee he played a major role in the enactment of broad new laws providing advance funding for elementary, secondary, and higher education programs; insured Federal funds for liberal arts as well as the sciences; and financial support for special courses needed by handicapped children.

It was a Prouty amendment in 1966 that expanded the social security program to include 2 million previously ineligible persons.

His endeavors also had a strong impact on manpower legislation and he was one of the first to advocate a guaranteed annual income.

These accomplishments were no surprise to his constituents, for Vermont has a long and distinguished record of achievements in the fields of education, labor, and social legislation.

Vermont was the first State to abolish slavery, the first to establish a complete school system from the primary grades through college, the first to have a minimum wage not governed by Federal law, the first to cooperate with the Federal Government in all five phases of the social security program, and the first to establish a 39-week period for unemployment compensation.

This Vermont tradition of freedom and equality was consistently demonstrated by WIN PROUTY during his years in the National Capital.

At this time I will leave it to others to comment at greater length and in more detail on his accomplishments in Washington and go back to the WIN PROUTY I knew in Vermont more than 30 years ago, first as a young alderman in his home city of Newport, later during his three terms as mayor, from 1938 to 1941, and during his three terms in the Vermont Legislature, in 1941, 1945, and 1947.

WIN PROUTY's service to his community and State during those years was notable.

He never was the conservative-minded—let-well-enough-alone—person that some would make him out to be.

In the 1930's, he was one of the organizers of the Vermont Young Republicans, a group of progressive young people who wanted their views to be known and sought the social and political changes which were sorely needed at that time.

It was in those days that WIN PROUTY became a leader of the liberal wing of his party—and in those days people knew full well what was meant by the terms "liberal" or "conservative."

The real test of his progressive thinking came in 1947 when he was elected speaker of the Vermont House of Representatives.

The late U.S. District Judge Ernest W. Gibson, one of my closest friends and one of the strongest individuals in Vermont political history was Governor that year.

He had drafted a bold and farseeing set of proposals relating to taxation, law enforcement, State development, and other progressive measures for the legislature to consider.

His program faced strong opposition from the more conservative forces in the house, but WIN PROUTY, as speaker, proved to be equal to the task cut out for him.

As speaker and a strong supporter of the Governor's program, WIN proved to be a remarkably effective leader.

To be sure, he had the support of a dedicated group of members in the house, but he was a leader who charted the legislative strategy which wrote the Gibson proposals into law.

The 1947 Vermont Legislature is still remembered as one of the most progressive in the history of our State.

The notable progressive triumphs of that year were also Prouty triumphs and contributed strongly to WIN's election to the U.S. House of Representatives in 1950.

For 20 years, WINSTON L. PROUTY made his mark in Washington—dedicating his work for the sick, the poor, for the working people, and the youth of our Nation.

He did not go at his work with a brass band and a lot of ballyhoo, but in his own quiet way I found him to be a cooperative, determined, and effective colleague.

And now after 33 years of public service WIN PROUTY has been called home.

He now rests on a plateau overlooking the eastern shores of Lake Memphremagog—and the community where he was born and raised.

On the hill across the lake lies the North Country Hospital due soon to be modernized largely because of WIN PROUTY's efforts.

The people of this area will have better care for their health—the youth will have better opportunity for education and the poor will find their lot in life greatly improved as a result of WINSTON PROUTY's understanding and devotion to their welfare.

And what he has done for his hometown of Newport he has done for the people of this Nation.

The marker over his resting place is very modest, indeed, and I understand will remain so—but the service he has given to humanity is a greater monument than any which could be built of stone and metal.

But to show the esteem in which he was held and the sorrow which has come over our State with his passing, I ask unanimous consent to have printed in the Record editorials which have appeared in many Vermont periodicals and also an excerpt from the Paul Harvey News of September 11, 1971.

And once again, let me extend the sympathy of Mrs. Aiken and myself to Jennette Prouty and the members of the Prouty family.

There being no objection, the material was ordered to be printed in the Record as follows:

[From the Newport (Vt.) Daily Express Sept. 14, 1971]

Senator Winston Prouty

Flags are flying at half mast today. A symbol of mourning for Sen. Winston L. Prouty.

For over 20 years this proud product of Newport served in Congress effectively working for education and for the social betterment of our senior citizens.

Prouty worked his way up through the ranks, first as mayor of this city, then State Representative and Speaker of the House.

From there he moved on to Washington, D.C., and Congress where he served eight years in the United States House of Representatives. He then succeeded Ralph Flanders in the Senate where he effectively labored for the elderly and the young for over 12 years.

Vermont's junior Senator was well recognized across the nation as a champion of increased Social Security benefits and other programs that related to our senior citizens.

One would be amiss, however, not to mention Prouty's efforts to secure better hospital facilities and health care centers.

His position as a ranking member of the Senate and Public Welfare Committee and top Republican member of the Senate's Special Committee on Aging is a testimony to the esteem with which he was held on Capitol Hill. The benefits that our elderly are presently enjoying crowns his efforts on their behalf and will be a lasting tribute to his memory.

Strange as it may seem, Prouty traveled the road to success as a public servant without subscribing to the formula so often declared essential for reaching the pinnacle of success.

He was quiet, frugal with words and shy, never one to seek the spotlight or grasp for the microphone.

His quiet nature was at times described as a political liability.

Yet as a Vermonter, this trait came closer to fitting the image of a resident of the Green Mountain State than flamboyancy. The voters accepted him this way and sent him back to Congress repeatedly for two decades of productive work that benefited the whole nation.

While in Washington Prouty's office door was always open toward the Green Mountains. Those with a cause, found a champion who was eager to work for the betterment of those he represented. Yet life for him on Capitol Hill could not have been easy. He was dogged by ill health during much of his life, yet he managed to place the welfare of others first as he strove to bring improvements in the lot of his fellow Americans.

Aiding this soft-spoken man in his goal was his wife, Jennette, who has made a tremendous impression upon the people of his state both as a warmhearted person and an able campaigner.

We in the city of "Win's" birth join her in mourning the passing of one of Washington's most effective legislators.

[From the Benning Banner, Sept. 13, 1971]

U.S. Senator Winston L. Prouty

Many of the thousands of people in Vermont who consistently voted for Sen. Winston L. Prouty would probably not have recognized the state's junior senator if they met him on the street. His distaste for campaigning and his avoidance of personal contact on his infrequent visits home combined to make him a name rather than a personality in the state.

But the people voted for him nonetheless, exhibiting an ingrained trust in a man who perhaps represented the last of the breed of quiet and conservative Vermonters who for so long dominated the political scene. They admired Sen. Prouty for his party loyalty, for his dutiful support of party leaders both inside and outside Vermont. They felt instinctively that he would not be an instrument of the inevitable changes that have made so many conservative and even moderate Vermonters nervous in recent years.

In the 20 years he spent in Washington Sen. Prouty did not aim his sights high, but he quietly took on some causes that he understood, a broadening of Social Security, an upgrading of vocational education and an effort, so far unsuccessful, to assist parents struggling to keep children in college. More recently, Sen. Prouty had turned his attention to the restoration of rail passenger service that eventually might spread to Vermont. These were not the causes that make headlines, but they were perhaps the ones best understood by the ordinary middle-of-the-road citizens who admired Winston Prouty.

Sen. Prouty doggedly continued his efforts to make the changes he sought in areas that would benefit the elderly, the students and their parents. His congressional scope was not a broad one, but he stuck to his beliefs in the things he wanted, and in many cases he was successful. He was a shy man, not given to making speeches about either his beliefs or his accomplishments. But there are probably thousands of elderly citizens, as well as students and children, who owe a debt of gratitude to this man who recognized their needs and did his best of meet those needs.

[From the Burlington Free Press, Sept. 13, 1971]

Prouty a Real Vermonter

U.S. Senator Winston L. Prouty had all of the characteristics of the typical Vermonter. He was lean, silent and far from sociable, except with friends.

He was shy with strangers and disliked political campaigning. Yet the people of Vermont trusted him and for nearly 40 years kept him in public life.

People can sense honor in a public servant and Vermonters felt they could trust "Win" Prouty.

A longtime associate recalled this week an incident which was the mark of the man. It was the famous 1964 campaign and the Republican Party was in trouble. Funds for PROUTY's campaign against Frederick Fayette of South Burlington had hit the bottom of the barrel. Suddenly out of the blue a group, concerned with American foreign policy, offered the Prouty organization a check for $5,000 to help defray the expenses of the closing days of the campaign. PROUTY promptly rejected the contribution and told an aide: "It's one thing to accept money from domestic firms and people to conduct a campaign but if you accept money from a foreign policy group you could find yourself one day in a position of owing a favor to a group which might endanger the security of your country."

WIN PROUTY loved his country and he always put her first.

Many Vermonters often remarked that PROUTY was shy and reticent to the point of absurdity. This was not entirely true but it is explainable. When he was a small boy, working around the family lumber plant in Newport, he met with an accident which cost him his right thumb. He was terribly conscious of the loss of the thumb and even when he was in group pictures kept the hand behind his back. People unaware of the injury wondered at the lack of strength of his handshake, which was far from the hearty hand-wringing feats of strength exhibited by other office seekers.

Yet PROUTY was a good campaigner, when he wanted to be. When he defeated Governor Harold Arthur for the Republican nomination for Congress he fooled the experts, who had seen Arthur defeating him for the nomination for lieutenant governor. He did it by covering the state of Vermont, practically afoot, meeting the people and asking them to help him out. And they liked him and they elected him.

He had strong blocs of votes, which stuck by him even when he was up against powerful opposition. Although some labor leaders supported his opposition, a good number of the rank and file always stuck with him. Postal workers swore by him. When Postmaster General Arthur Summerfield got Congress to approve and President Eisenhower to sign a bill giving a wage raise, which PROUTY thought was niggardly, he voted to override the Republican President's veto—and he was not the type of Republican Congressman who did that sort of thing lightly. He especially liked Eisenhower. And the President later signed a more generous bill for postal workers.

His biggest bloc of boosters were the handicapped, the education leaders and the elderly of Vermont. Perhaps because of his boyhood disability he was a leader in legislation to aid handicapped people. He, alone, is responsible for the law which today blankets older people under Social Security, whether they were covered or not when the law was passed.

He led the fight for 1970 passage of the increase in Social Security benefits and was studying proposals for national health insurance when death took him Friday in Boston.

He sensed that his time was short but he fought a good fight to the end and died with his boots on.

He was a member of that merry group of young Republicans of the 1930s that included U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals Judge Sterry Waterman, Supreme Court Justice Milford K. Smith, the late Gov. Ernest W. Gibson, the late Willsie Brisbin and many others who in their early and less serious days made politics fun to cover.

[From the Reformer, Sept. 13, 1971]

Winston L. Prouty

The New York Times, in its obituary notice on Senator Winston L. Prouty, described him as "hardbitten," which is a singularly strange word to apply to this essentially gentle man. Presumably The Times used the phrase to characterize Senator Prouty as a thoroughgoing professional, dedicated to his party and to the Senate.

The purpose here is not to analyze phrases, but to point out the totally differing views held by so many people of this 65 year old Vermonter who died in Boston last Friday evening. He had a public career that spanned 38 years. He was a city councilman in his native town of Newport; then mayor. Next he went to Montpellier as a state legislator, rising to the powerful position of speaker of the House. He was elected to the United States Congress in 1950, and to the United States Senate in 1958.

This is a remarkable record of public service, but the fact remains that voters in his town and in this state returned him to office again and again simply because he was effective.

He cared little for publicity, even less for campaigning. Despite nearly 20 years in Washington, the Senator's name probably was virtually unknown in most of the country.

Yet what Winston L. Prouty proved was that flamboyance and publicity have nothing to do with Congressional effectiveness. His specialties were Social Security and Education, two subjects that vitally interest many politicians only at election time. The Senator, however, kept his attention focused on them during routine, often dull, many times tedious Congressional procedures, when ideas become law, not political platforms.

Because of his great and dedicated work in both fields, he made an impact on the American people, not just Vermonters.

He was a quiet man, a good man, an effective and dedicated public servant, and his death, coming only a year after his greatest-ever electoral vote of confidence, is truly sad.

"Not long ago I said that Win Prouty does not speak often, but when he does, everyone listens," said President Nixon. "Through his many lasting contributions to the nation's well-being, Senator Prouty will continue to speak to all of us for a long time to come."

[From the Times-Argus, Sept. 13, 1971]

Senator Winston L. Prouty

U.S. Sen. Winston L. Prouty served his native town of Newport, his state and his country well for 33 years in public life.

Although an eminently successful politican he did not enjoy political campaigning, seldom visited the state and in fact in his last campaign a year ago he planned only a brief campaign, and then concluded that abruptly before its scheduled ending.

But his committee assignments in the Senate led him into drafting legislation for the assistance of the underprivileged and the elderly, and in rail passenger service.

To both these tasks he devoted his energies and his talents and it was typical of Winston Prouty that he achieved notable, but unspectacular success, in every field.

Most of the programs now in existence in this nation to help the disadvantaged and the elderly bear some imprint of Sen. Prouty.

He was unspectacular in Vermont, yet one of its most successful politicians.

He was unspectacular in the Senate, yet one of the most successful members in the most exclusive club in the world at stamping his imprint on legislation involving his committee interests.

The senator's death last Friday saddened his native state, the thousands who knew him and the thousands who were the beneficiaries of his work for them in the Congress.

It has to be said of Sen. Prouty that his death is mourned most by those who were the closest to him. Such is not always the case.

[From the Rutland (Vt.) Daily Herald]

U.S. Senator Winston L. Prouty

A political tradition was ingrained in the Prouty family. One of U.S. Sen. Winston L. Prouty's uncles was governor of the state and another was chairman of the U.S. Interstate Commerce Commission. The senator got his start in politics at the local level as mayor and councilman in Newport and as one of the early activists in the Vermont Young Republican Club when that organization had much more influence in state politics than it does now.

It was one of the contradictions of Win Prouty's nature that despite his interest and ambition in politics, he didn't have the zest for it that is characteristic of most politicians. It would have been an exaggeration to say he was enthusiastic whenever he launched one of his campaigns, but he was a plugger who persisted in the face of disappointment and defeat.

By rights Sen. Prouty should have been governor of the state. He was fresh from a triumphant session as speaker of the 1947 House of Representatives, once described by the late W. Arthur Simpson as "the most

progressive and productive" in the state's history, when he was defeated in the 1948 primary election for lieutenant governor by Harold J. Arthur. Arthur at the time had never held any elective office other than clerk of the House. If PROUTY had not been upset in that primary election he would have succeeded Ernest W. Gibson as governor in 1950 when Gibson resigned to become federal judge, and the retiring governor would have felt much more comfortable about leaving the office in PROUTY's hands.

Sen. PROUTY had his revenge in the very next election when Arthur surprised everyone by running for Congress instead of governor, while PROUTY's neighbor Lee E. Emerson switched his candidacy from Congress to the governorship. Holding the title of governor and having proved to be PROUTY's nemesis in the 1948 election, Arthur was favored to repeat in the 1950 primary race for Congress. Instead PROUTY came back to win the nomination and the election and began a career in Washington as congressman and senator which didn't end until his death Friday.

Sen. PROUTY was dogged by ill health during much of his life. Even as a young man he was subject to stomach ailments and sinusitis, a complaint which wasn't helped by the Washington climate. He often seemed to be literally allergic to campaigning. On the campaign trail he was perennially beset by aches and pains, but seemed to avoid any serious illness until later in life after he succeeded Ralph Flanders as U.S. senator.

Twice married, Sen. PROUTY showed unusually discriminating judgment in his choice of wives. Both were active participants in his political career and gave him the kind of moral support that he required more than most successful politicians. The second Mrs. Prouty is an exceptionally able campaigner in her own right.

Despite ill health and frequent absences from his seat, Sen PROUTY was ranked as an above average performer as a legislator. He had a solid record of accomplishments particularly in the field of social security.

[From the Burlington (Vt.) Free Press, Sept. 11, 1971]

SENATOR PROUTY

The death of U.S. Senator WINSTON L. PROUTY has deprived Vermont, the nation and the world of one of America's most conscientious and effective public servants.

Senator PROUTY's career in public life began almost four decades ago when he was elected to the Newport City Council. After that he served in a succession of local and state positions of responsibility, including Mayor of Newport, State Representative, and Speaker of the Vermont House of Representatives.

In 1950 he was elected to the first of his four terms as Vermont's lone member of the U.S. House of Representatives. He distinguished himself during those eight years, notably as a member of both the Veterans Affairs and Foreign Affairs Committees.

Then 1958 he won the first of his three successful campaigns for the U.S. Senate. During his 12½ years as a member of the nation's highest legislative

body, he enjoyed a well-earned reputation as a leader of great ability, integrity and achievement.

Senator PROUTY's accomplishments in the field of education were universally recognize. Indeed, often these accomplishments were compared by leading educators to those of the great Justin Smith Morrill.

Vermont's junior Senator also was recognized as the nation's foremost fighter for increased Social Security benefits and other important programs for our senior citizens.

In addition to all of this, Senator PROUTY was a pioneering leader in the promotion of modern hospital facilities and health care centers. And he made lasting contributions in the fields of labor and transportation and commerce.

He built this record of accomplishments as a ranking member of the Senate Labor and Public Welfare Committee, as the top Republican member of the Senate's Special Committee on Aging, and as an influential member of his other Senate committees.

Senator PROUTY could not have accomplished as much as he did without the deep respect of fellow Senators, from both sides of the aisle, and the support they gave him. Although he was an extremely shy person, unusual for a political leader, he possessed a warm personality which radiated friendship and trust.

He shunned undue publicity, and therefore he may not have been among the best known of Senate leaders. But by any measure WIN PROUTY was among the most respected and most effective of Senate leaders.

America mourns the passing of this soft-spoken legislator of achievement, to whom all Vermonters are indebted for a lifetime of public service. The good works of Senator WINSTON L. PROUTY will long endure as fitting memorials to one of Vermont's most remarkable sons.

Excerpt From PAUL HARVEY NEWS

September 11, 1971

Senator WINSTON PROUTY deserves a proper epitaph . . . but who of us is up to it.

Politics aside . . .

Personally, PROUTY was the kind of man all of our wives wish their husbands were.

Ultimately honorable . . . almost a caricature of the typical Vermonter . . . Thin, quiet, 34 years in state and national politics.

As Mayor of Newport and then Congressman and then 12 years United States Senator, PROUTY was a man of immense compassion—but did not flaunt it.

He did more than he talked about—for older people, for schools. Worked so diligently to try to improve railroad passenger service.

Senator PROUTY died yesterday; a stomach ulcer had become malignant; he was 65.

He gave the profession of politics a dignity and an ethical acuity which it's never seen too much of and doesn't see enough of anymore.

Mr. President, I could go on and talk about WIN PROUTY for a long, long time. However, I know that others have something to say.

Mr. STAFFORD. Mr. President, it is difficult to find words to express my sorrow at the passing of a close friend, a distinguished colleague, an outstanding legislator, an able leader, and a real gentleman.

Senator WINSTON L. PROUTY of Newport, Vt., a quiet and gentle man, has passed on. Now is the time for us, colleagues in the Congress, to express our appreciation and gratitude to he who served his State and his country both in the House of Representatives and the Senate so ably for many years.

Although a senior colleague, a man who preceded me in my seat in the House of Representatives, WIN PROUTY never failed to give his advice when called upon, but never attempted to force his advice upon me or anyone else.

It was while traveling the State together, that I began to know WIN PROUTY as a man of quiet integrity, a man with natural reticence, combined with a propensity for hard work and clear statements, who won the respect of Vermonters. When I came to Washington in 1960, Senator PROUTY assisted me in getting settled and helped me learn my new duties as a Congressman.

As his power and influence grew in the Senate, Senator PROUTY never changed. He remained hard-working and humble, unspoiled by all the grandeur that surrounded him.

As a legislator, WIN PROUTY was known as a behind the scenes worker who shunned the glare of publicity, but got things done. He championed the causes of the elderly, the poor, and the sick.

His work on expanding the social security program is landmark; he felt the program ought to provide security and set out to see that it did—quietly, effectively, and without fanfare.

Senator PROUTY began his career in politics by running successfully for mayor of his hometown of Newport, way up in northern Vermont, near the Canadian border. He concluded it as a U.S. Senator from Vermont and second-ranking Republican member on the Commerce, and Labor and Public Welfare Committees. In the interim, he served as speaker of the house in the Vermont General Assembly and as a U.S. Congressman. It was a career which confounded the pundits, because Senator PROUTY was no tub-thumping

politician; he won as a thoughtful man, who spoke only when he had something to say in a State that believes strongly in throughtfulness and reticence.

A true Vermonter, in every sense of the word, WIN PROUTY epitomized the State and as its representative in Congress, he was a true reflection of the State he hailed from.

Mr. President, it is one thing to lose an able colleague and another to lose a trusted friend. I have lost both.

President Nixon, a personal friend of Senator PROUTY's for many years said:

> Through his many lasting contributions to the Nation's well-being, Senator PROUTY will continue to speak to all of us for a long time to come.

I can say as the man who was appointed to fill Senator PROUTY's seat that he will continue to speak to me.

Mr. President, WIN PROUTY gave 33 years of his life to public service. Thirty-three years marked by steady and consistent advancement of the welfare of the people he served.

He was a public servant of the highest caliber, and the loss to his State of Vermont, the Senate, and the Nation is a considerable one, and to me, personally it is a great loss.

Mr. President, my wife Helen and I extend our very deepest sympathy to Jennette Prouty and the members of the Prouty family.

Mr. MANSFIELD. Mr. President, quiet, unassuming, effective—those words, I think, sum up Senator PROUTY. I had the privilege of serving with WINSTON PROUTY in both the House and the Senate, and because of my position as leader of the Democratic Party on this side of the aisle, I had close contacts with Senator PROUTY on a number of occasions when he was handling legislation in his capacity as senior Republican member of his committee. If anyone was a friend of the old, the hungry, the young, the blind, the maimed, it was WINSTON L. PROUTY, because what he did was to take an extraordinary interest in his fellow human beings and he fought for them long, hard, and effectively.

Much of the legislation which has passed this body and the other body, as well, bears the mark of WINSTON PROUTY, because he was, if nothing else, humanitarian in outlook. He loved his fellow man. He loved this institution. He did not speak "off the cuff" except on rare occasions; but he did his homework quietly, effectively, and

efficiently. When he managed a bill on the floor of the Senate, he had the facts and the information at his fingertips.

I was distressed with the passing of Senator PROUTY. I knew he had been ill on occasion. I had no idea that he was as ill as he was at the time of his passing.

WINSTON PROUTY has left a mark on his State, on his Nation, and in this body. We will remember him with respect and affection. Mrs. Mansfield and I wish to extend to Jennette Prouty and the Prouty family our most sincere condolences and our deepest sympathy. May his soul rest in peace.

Mr. SCOTT. Mr. President, to walk the streets of such a community as Newport, Vt., is to see for one's self the kind of community, multiplied from sea to sea, which speaks to you of the enduring qualities from which come the strength of our Nation. It is a quiet, friendly community, its main street rising from a lovely lake toward soft and gentle hills; its people quiet, self-contained, assured, articulate, but not imbued with the frenetic madness of some of our urban dwellers.

From this kind of community came our colleague and he reflected these origins, this strength; a man who knew and understood his neighbors, and the certainty of where his duty lay, because of the strength of character arising from his origins and his experiences; a quiet man of gentle persuasion.

It is our custom here to say frequently in eulogies that we wish a colleague who had passed on could hear what we have to say about him. I think WIN knew during his lifetime what we thought about him, he knew the respect in which he was held, and he knew the friendliness which went out to him, and from him to us.

He understood that we looked to him for action in the presentation of his views and the proposal of legislation which would reflect concern and compassion, but which reflected also a great deal of thoughtfulness and research.

A man who, as the distinguished majority leader said, did not rise too frequently to speak impulsively, but who spoke on matters of the greatest import to the country, matters affecting general welfare, matters involving the aged, the young, housing, shelter, education, social security; a man who knew of what he was speaking and also who knew the degree of support which he could expect from his colleagues,

which was substantial, as evidenced by the fact that so much that he proposed has been written into law.

So it can, indeed, be said of him, as it has been said of others, Si monumentum requiris, circumspice—if you seek my monument look around. It is only necessary to look at the statutes which are on our books to realize even more clearly the very worthwhile contributions which WIN PROUTY made to his Nation and to his State.

It was clear to those who were in Newport how much he was respected and how much he will be missed. As he was laid to rest beneath a simple stone bearing the name of his family, in the view of the eternal hills which were his home, one could only think of the quotation, "I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills," unto the everlasting hills will I lift them up.

Mr. COTTON. Mr. President, WINSTON PROUTY was my neighbor and my friend.

I knew him years before he ever came to Congress. He possessed all those solid qualities of the traditional Vermonter—industrious, conscientious, shrewd, and successful in business, a natural leader in his community.

In more recent years, with our States sharing a common border, WINSTON PROUTY and I worked together in both the House and Senate for almost a quarter of a century. My respect and regard for him grew with each passing year—a respect and regard that were shared by all his colleagues. He was quiet and unassuming, sparing in speech, yet capable of being forceful and eloquent for the causes that he championed. He was warm and friendly, though never given to idle chatter. He was painstaking in his study of legislation. He never allowed anyone else to do his thinking for him. He was never guilty of springing to hasty conclusions but, having made up his mind, he adhered to his own deep convictions. He was at his very best in committee where I served with him for many years. He was a perfectionist when it came to molding, drafting, and amending legislation. In short, he was a working Senator.

Elderly people have lost one of the greatest champions they have ever had in the Senate. Vermont and the Nation have lost a real statesman. Each one of us has lost a beloved friend.

Mr. President, I know whereof I speak in a special way.

WINSTON PROUTY and I sat next to one another in the Senate Commerce Committee.

His desk on the Senate floor was an arm's length away from mine.

In these relationships, it was comfortable—and I cannot think of a more appropriate word—to have WINSTON PROUTY next to me, for when the winds of expediency sometimes seemed to be bending the will-o'-the-wisps, you could be sure that WINSTON PROUTY would remain as solid and strong as his own Green Mountains.

I have spoken thus far solely from personal observations about my colleague and friend, but I realize that through my comments I have been speaking for our entire Nation, too.

From his strength, from his honesty, and from his dedication flowed a sense of assurance which, in one way or another, touched and provided a comforting sense of stability for every citizen of our country as surely as it aided and inspired us here.

No man could leave a mightier legacy.

Our sympathies go out to his widow and his family. They may take comfort in the thought that his service here was of such sterling character that he is one of those fortunate few who will never be forgotten by those who served with him.

Mr. BOGGS. Mr. President, I would like to join with my colleagues in paying tribute to a great American who has passed from the scene.

Senator WINSTON L. PROUTY devoted 33 years of his life to public service and he leaves a legacy that long will be remembered. No doubt the residents of his hometown, Newport, Vt., whom he served as mayor for 3 years, will remember his accomplishments, as will his constituents and former colleagues in the Vermont House of Representatives.

During 20 years in Congress he was instrumental in development of legislation dealing with the problems of the elderly, and of education, and of transportation. These proud achievements will live long after him.

But so will other qualities. I am reminded of a passage from Angelo Patri:

> In one sense there is no death. The life of a soul on earth lasts beyond his departure. You will always feel that life touching you, that voice speaking to you, that spirit looking out of other eyes, talking to you in the familiar things he touched, worked with, loved as familiar friends. He lives on in your life and the lives of all others that knew him.

I shared no committee assignments with Senator PROUTY, but it was my privilege in this Congress to sit beside him in this great Chamber. I always valued his good counsel and friendship, and I shall miss him deeply.

Mrs. Boggs and I extend our deepest sympathies to Mrs. Prouty and the family.

Mr. YOUNG. Mr. President, in the passing of Senator WINSTON PROUTY, the Senate has lost a great Senator, a good man, and one who in his sincere, humble way rendered most valuable service to his beloved State and Nation.

He was honored, respected, and loved by all who were fortunate enough to know him.

WIN PROUTY, in his rather quiet and unassuming way, was a most effective Senator. When he championed a cause—he invariably was successful.

He was one of the strongest and most effective Members of Congress in providing a more adequate and equitable social security program.

He believed, as he often said, that the social security program should provide security.

He was singlehandedly responsible for broadening its coverage to most deserving elderly people.

WIN PROUTY was very active in many other fields of legislation, including that of trying to provide better railway passenger service.

He was a keen student of national and international affairs, and one who at all times and in every way placed the well-being and the security of this Nation above all else.

Some press stories indicated that he had an invisible political organization in his beloved State of Vermont. To many his strength in Vermont may have seemed a bit invisible, but I am sure one of the major reasons why he was elected to the House and Senate for more than 20 years, and with no fanfare, was that he had helped so many people and had conducted himself so as to earn the love and respect of people in every walk of life.

There are some who may not have fully appreciated or understood his quiet, sincere ways, but the people of Vermont did, as did we who were privileged to serve with him.

We will all miss this good friend and great Senator.

Patricia and I extend our deepest sympathy to his wonderful wife, Jennette, and all of the family.

Mr. COOPER. Mr. President, in addition to the association that one normally has in the Senate with his colleagues, I had the opportunity to serve on two committees with the late Senator WINSTON L. PROUTY. One was a recent association upon the Senate Committee on Rules and Administration. Senator PROUTY was the ranking member of the Subcommittee on Privileges and Elections of that committee and helped bring to the floor of the Senate and strongly supported the election reform bill. In the second half of the 1950's I had the opportunity to serve with him for 4 years as a member of the Committee on Labor and Public Welfare.

In all the tide of legislation which has been enacted by Congress since that time, it may be forgotten that the late 1950's was the period, I might say, of gestation, of ferment upon legislation which has since become accepted as the law of the land. It was a period in which civil rights was a burning issue. It was a period when advances in education were being made, advances which were hotly contested then, but which are now widely accepted throughout the country. It was a period in which we completed the first and major changes in the Taft-Hartley law, first approved by the Senate, and which later became more familiarly known under the name of Landrum-Griffin. Also, it was a time when we were beginning to consider a different attitude toward health measures, particularly whether we should adopt the medicare program.

In all of these subjects, Senator PROUTY took a leading and enlightened part.

In that association one found insights into the character of Senator PROUTY. Reference has been made to his painstaking study and examination, and this was evident in our committee, and in legislation. After painstaking study and examination, when he thought it was necessary, Senator PROUTY followed up both with amendments and with appropriate legislation, much of which became the law of the land.

I think all of us recognized a certain persistence and doggedness, we might say, in his advocacy and in his battles for legislation which he had studied thoroughly, which he had constructed or had a part in its construction, toward final adoption. As an example, there is one measure which comes to my mind, which he first advocated and secured approval. I recall, that the times I heard him speak on his amendment, standing at his seat on the aisle to my right, I thought his views could not prevail. It was a measure to provide

financial support for those who were outside the scope of the Social Security Act. But he did prevail; his amendment was approved and became the law. There are literally hundreds of thousands of people today, older men and women and disabled people, who have some monthly income because of the compassion, the initiative, and the fight of the late Senator WINSTON PROUTY.

And so we recall, not only our happy association with him, but his success, in a compassionate and a stubborn way, in bringing light to many people in our country. I join with my colleagues in the Senate in expressing our sense of loss and extending to his widow and his family our deepest sympathy.

Mr. CASE. Mr. President, someone not so long ago said that one of the things the Senate is best at is remembering quietly one of its Members who has died. I think this is true. I would not, of course—no one would—suggest that we ought to sacrifice Members periodically so that we could have these sessions. That thought would, of course, not enter anyone's mind. But it is good to pause in the busy life which all of us lead and have a period of quiet reflection about one of our colleagues and friends.

Everything that has been said this morning is true, and none of it exaggerated. I remember WIN PROUTY when he first came to the House of Representatives quite a few years ago. I do not think he had changed one bit since then. He was quiet, rather withdrawn, and self-effacing, at least on the surface; but as the Senator from Kentucky has said, he had a very stubborn streak in him. If he believed something—and he did believe some things deeply—you could not shake him, no matter how hard you argued or stormed.

He had a warm capacity for friendship, despite his outward diffidence, which was only an apparent diffidence. It concealed a very sensitive and very alert nature. All of us who have known him for these many years have come to feel enriched by the friendship of this warm, responsive human being. And it was evident to all of us who went to Vermont recently to attend the funeral and graveside services that this was equally true of his neighbors and his friends from his home town and from around the State which he loved so well.

His accomplishments here have been many, significant, and lasting. As has been well said, hundreds of thousands of people now, and, looking into the future, millions more, have been and will be benefited by his sharp recognition of what was lacking in our welfare

and assistance programs. We sometimes used to joke about WIN as being a modern protagonist of "$30 every Thursday," or whatever the slogan was, of those fantastic programs that came up in the early days of the depression. But there was none of that about him at all. He was a hard thinking, clear thinking, careful Yankee, but one who recognized, at the same time, not only the justice of the claims of people who needed the assistance that his legislation would provide, but also that, with its wealth and its affluence, there was plenty in this country, to make such provision possible.

We will not forget WIN. I am happy indeed to know that his successor, who is with us today, is also a former House Member, with a similar background.

We will not forget WIN for his qualities or for his accomplishments. All of the people of this country are benefiting, and indefinitely into the future will benefit, because of his service here. Mrs. Case and I join our colleagues in expressing again deep sympathy to his widow and his family.

Mr. MCINTYRE. Mr. President, I rise to pay my respect to one who devoted his life to serving his Nation, his native New England, his State of Vermont, his family, and his conscience.

WINSTON L. PROUTY of Vermont did not gain the headlines. He was not the subject of national controversy.

WIN PROUTY could walk through the corridors of the Capitol without commotion or without drawing stares from the tourists. His presence in the reception room off the Senate floor did not turn many heads.

I remember an occasion when WIN PROUTY and I were members of a group that went to Cape Canaveral, Fla., to witness a Gemini flight. During the course of our visit we were invited to a luncheon gathering. WIN, in his rather unassuming way, was dressed quite informally in slacks and open shirt collar. The attendants at the door of the luncheon stopped WIN saying that the luncheon was only for Members of Congress and other guests from Washington. They could not believe that WIN was a Member of the Senate. He just looked like the man on the street. I had to vouch for WIN so that they would let him in to attend the luncheon.

We, who served with WIN PROUTY in the Senate, knew he was one of us. We knew he carried his load in the Senate. We knew he discharged his duties with great grace and ability.

He did not often take the floor of the Senate to speak, but when he did, we listened, for we knew he had devoted deep and meaningful thought to his words.

We saw the imprint of WIN PROUTY on many pieces of legislation which came before this body of Congress. Few bills on education, social security, health care, labor, welfare, or commerce were passed without including contributions he made through his work on the committees of Labor and Public Welfare, Commerce, Rules and Administration, and the Special Committee on the Aging. The Prouty amendment which allows those who could not make this full contribution to social security to obtain the benefits of the program has been a blessing to many of our senior citizens.

I have found increasing evidence of the standing WIN PROUTY had with senior citizens during trips to New Hampshire in recent years. On many of these trips, I have had the privilege of meeting with senior citizens' groups in my State. Time after time, the members of these groups have praised WIN's work and asked that I give him their regards for his efforts on their behalf. They knew he was a Member of the Senate.

WIN PROUTY came from the small town of Newport, Vt., population 5,000. He came a long way through 33 years of public service as mayor, member of the Vermont State Legislature, Member of the U.S. House of Representatives, and, for the last 13 years, Member of the U.S. Senate.

But, he never really left the people of Newport. He was one of them. He felt comfortable with them in their quiet, individualized way of facing the problems of today.

It was reported that WIN PROUTY once told an audience at the University of Vermont:

> A man cannot delegate his conscience to the crowd. It is as solitary as his soul.

In his way, WIN was solitary. But, in his contribution to mankind, he was part of today.

To his wife, Jennette, and to his family I offer the sincere condolences of one who considered WIN PROUTY a friend.

Mr. FONG. Mr. President, I was extremely shocked and saddened by the passing of my close friend and colleague, Senator WINSTON L. PROUTY.

I say with deepest feelings that it was a great privilege and honor to have served in this distinguished body with Senator PROUTY. His passing is a loss to his State, our Nation, and to Americans everywhere.

For me the loss also was very personal. He sat here in the Senate in the same row with me, one seat away. We usually exchanged small talk and banter between votes. He was the ranking minority member of the Committee on Aging.

A few years ago, WIN and his beloved wife, Jennette, journeyed to my State of Hawaii, where WIN delivered speeches on several of our major islands. WIN's message was well received and the hundreds of people the PROUTYS met found them to be most warm and gracious. It was my pleasure to introduce WIN and Jennette to the beauties of Hawaii and the friendliness of our people. We had so hoped they would return to our mid-Pacific paradise.

We of Hawaii have a special place in our hearts for WIN PROUTY, for on that fateful March day in 1959, he voted to make Hawaii our 50th State. Without friends of Hawaii like WIN PROUTY, I would not have had the privilege of serving in the U.S. Senate.

When I was sworn in as U.S. Senator from Hawaii in 1959, WIN was serving his first term in the Senate. He had by then already established a reputation for personal integrity, inflexible courage in upholding the principle of equality for all, and devoted and selfless public service. These were hallmarks of his 8 years in the U.S. House of Representatives, on the Vermont State Water Conservation Board, in his State's legislature, and in the office of mayor of Newport, Vt.

I could not but feel a special affinity for WIN as a person and for the principles he espoused so well.

He was a member of the Republican Party, my party. Some would call him a "moderate," others a "conservative," and still others a "liberal." But for WIN, labels meant little.

He was, if anything, a pragmatist, his approach to legislation being "would it work?" And if so, "Is it good for all Americans?"

For two or more million Americans age 72 and over, it was he who made them eligible for coverage under our social security system. "The social security program ought to provide security," he asserted, as he led the fight to provide this security for all.

College students will remember the Prouty amendment which insured Federal funds to support liberal arts as well as the sciences.

It was also a Prouty amendment which provided advance funding first for elementary and secondary education and then for higher educational programs.

The handicapped children and their parents will remember his amendments that assured special education for their needs.

Vermonters who learned skills through federally assisted manpower programs will remember WIN PROUTY for his amendments which pushed up minimum manpower funds for Vermont and other small States.

Vermonters can also look at community buildings and remodeled hospitals and know that it was WIN PROUTY who increased the building funds and eliminated restrictions on the use of such funds.

People in the rural areas of America also know that WIN PROUTY was constantly alert to amend legislation to make sure that Federal programs would meet the needs of rural areas.

Throughout our North and Northeastern States, WIN PROUTY will always be remembered as one of the chief leaders in the creation of the St. Lawrence Seaway.

As ranking Republican on the Senate District of Columbia Committee, it was he who sponsored the bill calling for a nonvoting House delegate for the District.

His intensive poll of three inner-city neighborhoods in Washington, D.C., set the guidelines for sampling attitudes in our troubled congested areas and enabled the poor themselves in these areas to be heard. And his study enabled Congress and the executive branch to build on successes and correct many of the failings of the District of Columbia inner-city programs.

As all of us are aware, WIN PROUTY did not seek the limelight nor the newspaper headlines. Indeed, it was a rare and special occasion when he addressed us on this Senate floor.

But we who worked with him know how effective a legislator he was and how able he was to translate the needs and aspirations of his constituents into national policy. And his constituents in a real sense included not just those from Vermont but from all of the United States and its Territories.

Mr. President, to WIN PROUTY's wife, Jennette, to his daughters, Mrs. Currie Johnson, Mrs. Elizabeth Friel, and Mrs. Ann Panariello, and to the other members of the family, my wife, Ellyn, and I extend our deepest sympathies and our most sorrowful aloha.

Mr. STENNIS. Mr. President, our late friend, Senator WINSTON PROUTY, always had my very highest respect; and I am sure that all of us thought of him and his work here with admiration as well as personal esteem.

I know, as a matter of fact, that he struggled many times to find out what was right and what was the sound position and what was best for the Nation, and it seems at times it was a struggle for him. But those were his unerring guidelines, as I knew him.

Reference has been made to his speeches in the Senate. I recall one speech he delivered which I shall never forget. I think that perhaps that speech, with his earnestness, was the turning point in that memorable debate. I know it as one of the tightest spots and hottest positions I have been in in the Senate as the floor manager of a bill. It was the first time that the matter of the ABM was before the Senate. He went through a soul-searching consideration of that matter and finally came in here, in his calm, earnest way, and delivered his speech—not a long one—giving his reasons. I think it set a new tone, a new perspective, an additional perspective, for the entire debate. It went on, and with his vote, by the slimmest possible margin, the program survived in that bill.

Senator PROUTY was what I call a working Senator. Duty came first, and he had many duties. He carried a big load. I was not privileged to be associated with him in committees. We had different assignments. But I know that he carried more than his part of the workload here. In his usual way, he was very effective, not only in the committee but also on the floor of the Senate, in the cloakrooms, and elsewhere, where a quiet, persuasive word means the most. He shows up brilliantly in that way.

I want to mention especially his helpmate, Jennette. I remember a luncheon at the White House soon after Senator PROUTY came to the Senate. He brought Mrs. Prouty to the luncheon, and we were all sitting at small tables. I had not met her, but I was very much attracted by the intelligence, the charm, the knowledge of public affairs, and the opinions expressed by one of the ladies there. I could not find her place card which would have shown who she was, so I just had to ask her, and she said, "I am Mrs. Prouty." She later became president of the Congressional Club where I saw with my own eyes the quiet leadership she reflected, which Mrs. Stennis confirmed to me in our conversations.

The management of the Congressional Club is said to have gone unusually well under her regime. It showed up to some advantage, too, because of her thrift because she left the club with a better bank balance than it had when she came in.

So, Mr. President, Mrs. Stennis joins me in paying reverence and respect to the memory of our late colleague, together with a tribute to Mrs. Prouty in appreciation of her many qualities.

We also extend the greatest of condolences, understanding, and sympathy in their loss to his three daughters.

Mr. THURMOND. Mr. President, I wish to join my colleagues in commemorating Senator WINSTON L. PROUTY.

Senator PROUTY was a man of impeccable reputation, character, and integrity. He was a patriotic, fine citizen who believed in the principles that made America great.

I have enjoyed serving with Senator PROUTY for the past 12 years since his election to the Senate on November 4, 1958.

Mr. President, Senator PROUTY has done a tremendous amount of work in alleviating some of the many problems in the area of commerce. I served with him on the Commerce Committee, and thus have firsthand knowledge of his dedication and drive.

Senator PROUTY will also be remembered for his work on the Select Committee on Small Business, Rules and Administration Committee, and the Labor and Public Welfare Committee. He advocated progressive measures on all of these committees. All of these committees require a great deal of work, and Senator PROUTY was not one to shirk responsibility.

Senator PROUTY has served his State of Vermont long and well, first as a member of the Vermont House of Representatives, then in the U.S. House of Representatives and since 1959 in the U.S. Senate.

Mr. President, if we are to keep America strong and maintain its high quality of accomplishment, we must continue to get conscientious representatives that have the same high caliber of devotion to service as Senator WINSTON PROUTY.

Our heartfelt thoughts go out to his devoted and fine wife Jennette and the other members of the Prouty family in this time of sorrow, and I wish her to know that Senator PROUTY will be forever remembered by Members of the Congress.

Mr. President, the high level of achievement of Senator PROUTY will always be a goal that we of the Senate will strive to reach. His

good works will thus serve as an inspiration to keep the Senate a place of capable and dedicated leadership.

Mr. GRIFFIN. Mr. President, it is with a deep sense of loss that I join my colleagues in paying tribute to WIN PROUTY.

WIN PROUTY's record is written in large letters in terms of service to the people of Vermont and to the Nation.

Those of us who are left to carry on in this body are tremendously indebted to him for his imaginative leadership—for what he accomplished and what he sought to accomplish for veterans, for senior citizens, for the unemployed, for students, and for many others.

In the book of Isaiah, it is written:

> In quiteness and confidence shall be your strength.

WIN PROUTY was a quiet, almost a retiring man. But he had the confidence and determination of his New England tradition when he believed he was right.

As we all know, he never engaged in Senate debate just for the sake of debating. He realized full well, as Ben Jonson wrote that—

> The dignity of truth is lost with too much protesting.

In his whimsical way, WIN had his own explanation of why he never sought the headlines, although headlines frequently sought him. He would relate two instances which indicated to him how fleeting fame can be.

In his hometown he was a member of Newport High School's first football team. In the first game, Newport was overwhelmingly defeated. As WIN would recall—

> Lyndon Institue beat us, 81 to 0, and the Newport Express carried a headline which read: Lyndon Routes Newport; PROUTY Stars for Newport.

Another incident that WIN liked to recall occurred when he was elected mayor of the city of Newport, Vt., in 1938. That night, after the election results were in, he climbed a nearby hillside and proudly surveyed his city. Before dawn a recordbreaking sleet storm paralyzed Newport and, as WIN would recall:

> Everybody blamed me for the storm. Suddenly the honor and glory of public office were gone; and I had learned a lesson—public service meant work.

Hard work became a hallmark of WIN's service of more than 20 years in Congress—8 in the House and 12 in the Senate. So well did he prepare himself, that whenever he had occasion to speak, he always had something to say that needed to be said. In what he said he never wasted words. In one speech when he argued persuasively for better care for the elderly, he summed up the whole issue in one short sentence. He said:

Social security should provide security.

WIN PROUTY did not like the efforts of some who go about draping labels on others—labels like "conservative" or "liberal." When he first came to the Senate, a national magazine analyzed the freshmen members and concluded, from WIN's record, that he was neither a liberal nor a conservative. He was, the magazine decided, a pragmatist.

Certainly he was that. In the lawmaking process, he practiced the art of the possible. As each piece of legislation came to the Senate floor, WIN PROUTY approached it in a constructive way. He never opposed for the sake of being opposed. He was constantly seeking to obtain improvements in affirmative ways through amendment.

As the commentator, Joseph McCaffrey, has said:

Observing him in action an observer feels that he finds his most exercise in wrestling his amendments through the Senate, an ability he has perfected probably better than any of his 99 colleagues.

We shall miss WIN most sorely in this body. We shall be the more impoverished without the benefit of his quiet counsel and guidance as we consider the far-reaching legislative issues scheduled to come before us. As much as any man he played a significant role in giving this Nation a new direction in meeting the challenges of our times.

I shall miss him as a colleague on two of the committees on which I serve.

I shall miss him as a neighbor because he and Jennette have lived just down the street from us here in the Washington area.

More than that, I shall miss him as a friend. My wife, Marge, and I send our deepest condolences to his lovely wife Jennette and the family.

Mr. GURNEY. Mr. President, last week we were all saddened by the death of Senator WINSTON PROUTY of Vermont. This body and the Nation are poorer today because of this loss.

Senator PROUTY brought to the Senate those most important qualities for any legislator: reason and moderation. Having served with Senator PROUTY on a committee of special interest to both of us, the Special Committee on Aging, I know that the older American has lost an eloquent and compassionate spokesman. All of us who shared his concern in this area will especially miss him and will be hard pressed to match his dedication in solving the many problems facing the elderly.

WIN PROUTY's public service was indeed distinguished, for it covered every level of government: As mayor of Newport, Vt.; as a member and speaker of the Vermont House of Representatives; outstanding service in the House of Representatives and for the past 12½ years a distinguished Member of the U.S. Senate. To all these tasks he brought the same dedication to the public good, the same concern with finding effective solutions to the problems facing us.

I am proud to have had the opportunity to serve with WIN PROUTY here in the Senate for the last several years. And I know that all of us are the better for having known and having worked with him.

My sincerest sympathy goes to his lovely and gracious widow, Mrs. Prouty, and his family.

We will all miss him sorely.

Mr. BROOKE. Mr. President, I was privileged to give my accolades to WIN PROUTY in Bennington, Vt., last year during the occasion of his successful campaign for reelection.

Mr. President, the craftsmen of politics are—more often than not—the unnoticed and unheralded men in public life.

WIN PROUTY was such a man.

The people of Vermont knew his qualities. For 33 years they voted for him and promoted him to greater responsibilities. In 1970—in the toughest fight of his political life—they gave him a tremendous and overwhelming vote of confidence.

We, in the Senate, also knew the worth and stature of the man.

WIN was laconic, but when he rose to speak on the floor we listened, because we knew that WIN had done his homework, and knew what he was talking about.

No Member of Congress worked harder—or more effectively—on the immensely complex problems of education and social security than did WIN PROUTY.

He championed those particular causes because he cared about people. His imprint on the Nation's education and social security laws are his legacy to the young and old of our country.

Vermont will miss him. We, who served with him, will miss him. And millions of Americans who never even knew his name will miss him, because his passing leaves them with one less friend and champion in the U.S. Senate.

We extend to his dear wife, his daughters, other members of his family and friends our heartfelt sympathies.

Mr. ALLEN. Mr. President, I was deeply saddened by the untimely passing of my friend and colleague, WINSTON L. PROUTY. I had been in the Senate but a short period of time before he became fixed in my mind as the exemplar of the storied virtues which I associate with the people of Vermont. Without even trying he made me believe the words of another great native son of Vermont, Calvin Coolidge, who said of her indomitable people:

> If the spirit of liberty should vanish in other parts of our nation and support of our institutions should languish, it could all be replenished from the generous store held by the people of this brave little State of Vermont.

Mr. President, all of us have been impressed by WINSTON PROUTY'S quiet dignity and modesty—his unostentatious reservoir of wisdom—his stalwart support of the spirit of liberty and the principles upon which our institutions are founded. These qualities of character struck me as being in keeping with the best traditions of Vermont and of New England and typical of the many leaders from that State and region who have so vastly enriched our Nation. For these and many other reasons, WINSTON L. PROUTY made a lasting impression on me—one that will live on in vivid memory for years to come.

On reflection, it is not surprising that he projected so favorably. His constituents held him in the same high esteem. This is attested by the fact that he began his illustrious political career in 1938 on being elected to the office of mayor of his hometown of Newport, Vt. He served three successive terms in that office, after which he was three times elected to the Vermont House of Representatives where he was accorded the honor and distinction of serving as speaker of the house. He was then elected to the 82d Congress in 1950 and reelected to the 83d, 84th, and 85th Congresses. In November 1958, he was elected to the U.S. Senate and twice more reelected. His service was all the more meaningful because his

political experience was combined with practical experience derived in part from responsibilities of family owned lumber and building material enterprises, and the valuable experience gained from other business endeavors.

Mr. President, the people of Vermont and the people of the Nation have lost a great public servant. We in the Senate have lost a most valued friend and colleague. We will long cherish his memory. Mrs. Allen joins me in extending deepest sympathy to Mrs. Prouty, whom we have grown to love and admire, and to his children and other members of the family in their great loss.

Mr. MILLER. Mr. President, I know that I speak for all Members of the Senate when I note, with sorrow, the loss of our dear friend, WINSTON PROUTY, of Vermont.

It was my pleasure to work closely with Senator PROUTY over the years on a number of legislative issues of mutual concern. Most notably, perhaps, were the matters under the jurisdiction of our Senate Committee on Problems of the Aging. Senator PROUTY's humanitarianism always came through during our committee's deliberations and during his active role in pressing for legislation to provide a decent, more meaningful life for those of our citizens living out their retirement years. No Member of the Senate demonstrated greater leadership in this vital area of national concern, and our senior citizens have, indeed, lost a great advocate.

WIN PROUTY was usually a quiet person, but when it came to fighting for what he deeply believed in, he ably rose to the challenge. He knew his subject, and he was always a worthy, though polite, advocate in his Senate debates. His reelection by a very substantial margin in 1970 showed that the people of Vermont really appreciated the service Senator PROUTY had long given them. No more fitting tribute can be bestowed on a public official.

We extend our deepest condolences to his good wife, Jennette, and other members of his family as we mourn the loss of a colleague and dedicated servant of the people.

Mr. JACKSON. Mr. President, I wish to associate myself with the remarks that have been made by our colleagues on the passing of our distinguished friend, WINSTON PROUTY, of the State of Vermont.

I had the honor and the privilege of serving with him in the House and then in the Senate during his long and distinguished tenure of some 20 years of service to the people of Vermont and to the Nation.

I can say many things about what he did in his hometown as mayor and his outstanding service in the legislature and in the House and in the Senate. One thing that runs through all of this is that here was a man of conscience; here was a man who was dedicated; here was a man who labored hard in trying to do what he thought was right as a public servant.

He wrestled, of course, with the problems we all face; the difficult task of trying to do what is right, and the even more difficult task of knowing what is right.

I observed him working in some of these difficult areas, particularly in the field of national security where the decisions are not easy. I found that he was, indeed, a man of conscience, a man who was determined to try to find the right answer.

He accomplished many things during his long and distinguished career. I suppose what stands out in my mind was his constant dedication to rectify so many of the hardships in our social security program. The PROUTY leadership in this area has led to the correction of many of these inequities and injustices in the administration of the social security program. He had a long and continuing interest to help the elderly, to see that those who were less fortunate in this category obtained a decent break. We can ill afford to lose a man of such dedication and such conscience in the deliberation of great public issues.

My wife joins me in conveying to his wonderful wife Jennette and the Prouty family our deepest sympathy in this great loss.

Mr. McGEE. I wish to add to remarks I have already made on an earlier occasion with regard to Senator PROUTY. My reason for doing so is the sense of fraternity some of us feel with regard to the class of 1958. That class was a very numerous class and it has remained a very close class through nearly 13 years.

We were all proud of our association with Senator PROUTY, impressed by his integrity, and even now as we are saddened by the events, I think it would be most appropriate to say we are gladdened by the example he set as a member of our class because it gives us steady and moving footsteps to follow. For that reason I wanted to make this additional comment in regard to our colleague.

Mr. CANNON. Mr. President, I join with my fellow Members of Congress in expressing deep regret at the passing of Senator PROUTY.

As members of the class of 1958, Senator PROUTY and I served together on the Commerce Committee and Committee on Rules and Administration. I have enjoyed his fellowship and our working relationship in all that time. It was that fine association which offered me firsthand knowledge of his dedication to the people of this Nation and his own great State of Vermont. I found that Senator PROUTY had special concern for the elderly and the unfortunate, for whom his compassion drove him to build a fine record of legislation.

And in all that time we served together, I never found him to take a position based on politics rather than a position based on what he thought was for the welfare of our people and the good of our country.

I want to associate my remarks with the many that have been spoken on his behalf and express on behalf of my wife Dorothy and myself our very deepest sympathy to his lovely wife Jennette and to the Prouty family.

Mr. BYRD of West Virginia. Mr. President—

Let fate do her worst.
There are relics of joy,
Bright dreams of the past
That she cannot destroy.

They come in the nighttime
Of sorrow and care,
And bring back the features
That joy used to wear.

Long, long be my heart
With such memories filled,
Like the vase in which roses
Have once been distilled.

You may break, you may shatter
The vase, if you will,
But the scent of the roses
Will hang 'round it still.

WINSTON PROUTY was a man of quiet dignity, of compassion, of diligence, of conscience and sincerity. He was a good man, beloved by all of his colleagues.

You may break, you may shatter
The vase, if you will.

But the spirit of his presence and memory of this man's life with us will follow us still.

Mr. JORDAN of Idaho. Mr. President—

Discretion of speech is more than eloquence; and to speak agreeably to him with whom we deal is more than to speak in good words or in good order.

These words of the English philosopher and author, Francis Bacon, are appropriate today as we pay tribute to the late WINSTON L. PROUTY.

Because WIN was never one to expound on each and every issue, his words when spoken were heeded by all. A man of wisdom—a man of great concern—he brought much with him to this body in both spirit and deed. I am a much richer man for having had the good fortune of his friendship during our years together in the Senate—and Vermont, indeed the entire Nation, is the richer for having had his leadership.

Words cannot convey the grief we share from the loss of our good friend and fellow colleague—but words were not so important to WIN. I believe our acts of friendship during his life here on earth were a true measure of our affection for him.

May he rest in peace knowing that he garnered through his silent manner that virtue that so many strive for and so few attain—the esteem of his fellow men. Truly, he was a distinguished statesman and his vacancy in this body shall not easily be filled.

Mr. HATFIELD. Mr. President, WINSTON PROUTY was a man of independent judgment who defied categorization. He served his State well and complemented the work of our distinguished dean, Senator Aiken . . . together they provided Vermont with an effective team. Not a man to seek headlines, but a worker and a legislator who always put the interests of his constituency first.

Initially, I came to know WINSTON PROUTY through his work on the Senate floor as a champion of education. As a former educator myself, I admired and supported his tireless efforts in this area. During this session of Congress, however, I was privileged to serve with Senator PROUTY as a fellow member of the Commerce Committee—a committee that he had come to in 1962 and had served effectively for almost 10 years. In this capacity I came to know him and to enjoy the benefit of his counsel.

There is a concept of public service associated with the New England States. They call to mind adjectives such as honesty,

diligence, and loyalty. As a mayor, State legislator, Congressman and Senator, WINSTON PROUTY continued this tradition and earned those adjectives. He will be remembered.

Mr. SPONG. Mr. President, I join my colleagues this morning in paying tribute to our departed friend, the late WINSTON PROUTY of Vermont.

It was my privilege to serve with Senator PROUTY for 4 years on the District of Columbia Committee and for the past 3 years on the Commerce Committee. I was impressed with his careful approach to legislation before those committees, by his diligence and his unfailing courtesy.

Last week I was among those who went to Vermont to pay final tribute to WINSTON PROUTY. There in Newport, Vt., just at the Canadian border, I observed the affection and respect with which he was regarded by those he had served for so many years in different capacities—as councilman, mayor, State legislator, and Senator.

As we rode by automobile from Burlington to Newport, I saw the people who lined the highway to pay final respect to Senator PROUTY. In one small village a group of elderly citizens stood in silent tribute to a man who devoted much of his career here in the Senate toward improving the lot of our senior citizens. Their silent salute as the funeral procession rode by was poignant evidence of appreciation and sorrow for the loss of a friend.

My wife, Virginia, and I express our deepest sympathy to Jennette Prouty and to the other members of the Prouty family.

Mr. MCCLELLAN. Mr. President, several centuries ago it was written that—"Any man's death diminishes me, because I am involved in mankind." We who are privileged to serve in the U.S. Senate know and keenly feel the real meaning of this simplistic truth.

The death of our colleague, WINSTON PROUTY, brings this thought sharply to mind for he was deeply involved in mankind. WINSTON was a real humanitarian and his legislative attention was constantly focused on and committed to the health, education, and welfare of our people.

Time and again he brought his quiet, thoughtful, and searching analysis to bear on the Nation's problems—and time and again he spoke—and acted—with his deep convictions and unassailable logic.

We who served with him, listened when he spoke, for we knew

that his counsel was sharply honed by introspection and circumspection.

We shall miss WINSTON PROUTY and his quiet but effective voice of guidance.

Mrs. McClellan joins me in extending our heartfelt sympathy to all members of the family.

Mr. HOLLINGS. Mr. President, it is an honor for me to join today in tribute to our esteemed colleague, WINSTON PROUTY. We served together on the Commerce Committee and I knew him as a dedicated and able public servant in this very Chamber. WIN PROUTY was devoted to the interests of the people of Vermont and, indeed, of all the American people.

In reading the news stories that accompanied Senator PROUTY's passing, I found a note of bewilderment that the Senator from Vermont had attained his success without a well-oiled political machine and without the dramatic bombast we are all so familiar with. I am more bewildered by the stories than by the success of the man. In a career that included the speakership of the Vermont House of Representatives, four terms in the U.S. House, and three elections to the Senate, WIN PROUTY demonstrated that honesty, dedication, and a oneness for the people are still the traits most admired by the citizens of America. He was not a man of many words, but the words he did say carried weight and substance. Too often in recent years, rhetoric and bombast have been substituted for the real sinews of statemanship.

We have lost not only a good Senator, but a good man. A sincere friend. It is with sadness that I speak. But also with pride—pride in WIN PROUTY, pride in the people who sent him to us, and pride in the Nation whose best traits the late Senator from Vermont exemplified.

Mr. CHURCH. Mr. President, the Senate, as well as our Nation, has suffered a major loss with the untimely passing of our good friend from Vermont, Senator WINSTON L. PROUTY.

Senator PROUTY was a devoted and effective public servant for more than 30 years. During his illustrious career, he served as mayor of Newport for three terms and was elected to the Vermont House of Representatives three times. In addition, he served four terms in the U.S. House of Representatives and was elected three times to the Senate.

As chairman of the Senate Committee on Aging, I was able to observe in a very personal way his deep and unstinting concern for the elderly in our Nation. He was a strong and forceful advocate for the aged, and will be missed deeply. He was also a skillful legislator with a long list of impressive accomplishments, such as the Prouty special age-72 payments for persons with little or no social security coverage. More than 1 million low-income aged persons have now received vital assistance from this far-sighted provision.

With his Older Americans Income Assurance Act, he was in the forefront in calling for an innovative income supplement program to lift large numbers of aged persons out of the depths of poverty. Several of his concepts in this proposal have been incorporated in the 1971 social security-welfare reform legislation, H.R. 1.

And as the ranking minority member of the Senate Committee on Aging, he helped to strengthen the bipartisan approach that our committee has taken with regard to problems affecting older Americans. He was an effective ally and was a major force in the adoption of measures to:

Pay for the elderly's travel expenses to the White House Conference on Aging to assure that this conference will be broadly representative of all income groups;

Increase funding for several successful programs under the Older Americans Act, such as the community programs on aging and the foster grandparent program; and

Rescue the section 202 housing program for the elderly.

Mrs. Church joins me in extending our deepest sympathy to his wife, Jennette, and their family.

Mr. TALMADGE. Mr. President, I join my colleagues in the Senate in expressing the sorrow and deep regret over the passing of WINSTON PROUTY. Senator PROUTY was a man of the highest character. He served his Nation and State with deep devotion and high integrity. WINSTON PROUTY served in the U.S. House of Representatives for 8 years and he served 14 years in the Senate. During his more than 21 years in Congress, he became a leading spokesman for the older citizen of the Nation. As the ranking Republican member of the Select Committee on Aging, Senator PROUTY devoted much of his time and effort to bettering the lot of this almost forgotten group of people. I know of no other Member of the Senate who endeavored harder or with more zeal to initiate change and improvement in areas

where he felt a pressing need existed, especially in the areas of program for the aged and in education.

The people of Vermont sent an able, dedicated, and devoted public servant to the Senate. Vermont and the Nation will miss his leadership and I personally will miss his friendship.

Mrs. Talmadge joins me in extending our sympathy to Mrs. Prouty and the family.

Mr. JAVITS. Mr. President, with the passing of WINSTON L. PROUTY, the Senate lost one of its most distinguished Members and I have lost a friend and colleague with whom I served since he first came to the House of Representatives in 1951.

WIN PROUTY, though a taciturn Vermonter, sparing in his speech, had a special instinct for justice and the right. He assumed a leadership role on behalf of the aged and on behalf of the handicapped, areas in which his contributions will be long remembered, to cite but several of his interests.

As ranking minority member of the Education Subcommittee of the Committee on Labor and Public Welfare, he sought to follow in the path of his distinguished predecessor from Vermont, Justin P. Morrill, who was the author of the land grant college program which came into law in the administration of Abraham Lincoln. Most of the education statutes enacted in recent years bear the Prouty imprint.

WIN PROUTY was a Republican, governed not by partisan considerations but by conscience and reason. He earned the approbation of members of the opposite party during his service in the House and Senate and in the Vermont State Legislature. When he disagreed on issues, it was not through contentiousness but through reasoned thought.

I join my colleagues in conveying deepest sympathy and condolences to his beloved wife, Jennette, and family whom he cherished and to the people of Vermont whom he served so very superbly.

Mr. BAKER. Mr. President, it was with great personal sorrow that I learned of the untimely death of our colleague, Senator PROUTY. It was my privilege to serve with the Senator on the Committee on Commerce during the past 2½ years, and as I worked with him my admiration and affection grew steadily.

It will be said that WIN PROUTY somehow captured the spirit of Vermont, and it will be true. His gentlemanly and self-effacing ex-

terior concealed a leader of great strength and purpose, of principle and patriotism. The Senate, together with the people of Vermont and of the Nation, are greatly diminished by the loss of this excellent man.

I join with other Senators in extending my sincerest sympathies to Mrs. Prouty and other members of the family.

Mr. MONDALE. Mr. President, the Senate has lost one of its most effective legislators with the passing of WINSTON L. PROUTY of Vermont. Both the Congress and the Nation will sorely miss his help in grappling with the vexing problems which confront us.

I had the privilege of serving with the late Senator from Vermont on both the Committee on Labor and Public Welfare and the Special Committee on Aging. In these committees I came to know well his dedication to improving the lot of the people. It was he who led the effort to add some 2 million older people to the social security rolls. In many cases, these were people who had practically no other means of support.

Senator PROUTY served on all of the principal subcommittees of the Committee on Labor and Public Welfare. He was the ranking minority member of the Education Subcommittee, where I worked closely with him. I know firsthand of his many contributions to education programs, which are so vital to the future of our society.

I also remember with admiration Senator PROUTY's sustained efforts to strengthen manpower training programs. As a fellow member of the Employment, Manpower, and Poverty Subcommittee, I often had the opportunity to work with him in developing these valuable programs.

Senator PROUTY had a long and distinguished record of public service. Beginning as an alderman and mayor, he later served at the State legislature, in the executive branch of his State, in the U.S. House of Representatives, and finally in the U.S. Senate. It was evident in all of Senator PROUTY's work that he brought to bear his rich experience on the issues before us. In doing so, he added an invaluable dimension to the consideration of legislative matters.

We will all miss the capable and dedicated efforts of WIN PROUTY as we continue to face the troubling issues which concerned him so deeply.

Mr. FANNIN. Mr. President, one of the good fortunes of serving in the U.S. Senate is to have the privilege of associating with sincere and dedicated men like our late colleague WIN PROUTY.

During my freshman term in this body I was a member of the Committee on Labor and Public Welfare where I benefited from the guidance and assistance of the Senator from Vermont. I observed his deep concern for the welfare of the elderly citizens of our country. But he also was dedicated to our young people, and he strived for educational and social legislation to aid all our citizens.

WINSTON PROUTY believed in speaking with actions rather than words. He served his State and Nation well.

He and his lovely wife, Jennette, also contributed greatly to the leadership in many Republican activities in our Capital City.

For two decades he served in Congress, the last dozen of these years in the Senate. He put to good use his feeling for the needs of the people gained during his years in Vermont as a mayor and as a State legislator.

His passing is a loss to the Senate, to the State of Vermont, and to all the people of our United States of America.

Mr. HRUSKA. Mr. President, it is always difficult when we lose a colleague. It is especially so for me as I reflect on the death of WIN PROUTY. His unfortunate passing has deprived this body of one of its finest gentlemen and most able legislators. For me it has ended a very warm and rewarding personal friendship.

Many of our constituents, unfortunately, may not realize how much poorer our country is today without the services of this good, dedicated, and human public servant who spent the last 33 years of his life in the service of his community, his State, and his Nation.

Many of his great achievements did not receive their deserved attention because he was quiet, modest, and unassuming. He was a composite of the classic New Englander—taciturn and not too talkative, wiry but tough. As we know well, his character was strong and resolute.

These qualities made him all the more esteemed to those who knew him well, however, because when he did speak he could be extremely eloquent and persuasive.

Meanwhile, I think we will all acknowledge his mastery of the most elusive legislative skills, a byproduct of his great dedication to his constituents and the countless hours he devoted to intricate legislative problems.

It may be some time before this body again sees a Member who is so masterful at employing the amendment process constructively and effectively as was WIN PROUTY.

We will also fondly remember his wonderful sense of humor, his fairness in all his dealings, his deep-seated concern for the welfare of his constituents.

He has left a number of valuable monuments to his memory, living monuments which, through the good works they will accomplish in years to come, will testify to the warmth, humanity and concern of this devoted public servant.

He will be best remembered, perhaps, for his help for our senior citizens. He has been a leader in the legislative efforts to insure that this group is properly rewarded for its great contributions to our country and to our society.

He was ahead of his time in that regard. He envisioned the problems of the senior citizens and was attracting attention to them and generating solutions to them long before many people recognized the real magnitude of the problem.

He was a principal architect of our new national railway passenger system, Amtrak.

But I know that he would wish to be best remembered, among other things, for his devotion to education and especially to help for handicapped children. He was most concerned with the welfare of our young people and he was most understanding with them. Let us hope that this group of young citizens recognizes that they also have lost a good and sympathetic friend.

His wife, Jennette, will have many treasured memories of their happy years together. Although those memories are small consolation in this time of deep sorrow, the great sense of loss will eventually subside, and the memories will help fill the void which his death has created in her own life.

To her, I say we are with her in our thoughts and prayers today, and like her we will cherish our memories of WIN PROUTY, good friend, good citizen, and good man, in the years ahead.

Mrs. SMITH. Mr. President, I join my colleagues in paying tribute to our departed colleague, WINSTON PROUTY, the Senator from Vermont. His dedicated service was an example for all of us to follow.

But there was something even more significant than that. It was his courageous service. For a decade he knew the terrible truth. Yet

there was not the slightest whimper from him—not the slightest slackening from the ardor of his duties and work and the projection of the friendship and understanding to his colleagues, his associates, his friends, his constituents, and his family.

That is what I shall remember most about WINSTON PROUTY. I extend my deep sympathy to his wife, the members of his family, and to the people of Vermont on the loss of this great man.

Mr. RANDOLPH. Mr. President, we knew WIN PROUTY as a man short on words and long on thoughts, a man sparse of frame but large of heart.

We respected this man because he personified the American ideals of integrity and hard work. More than that, I think that WIN PROUTY achieved that goal of public service for which all of us strive, the diligent performance of duty on behalf of his beloved constituency. He knew his constituency well, because he had served in areas of government where personal contact was mandatory. As a smalltown mayor, a member of the Vermont House of Representatives, as speaker of the house and as Governor of the most rural State in America, WIN came to the House of Representatives and finally, the Senate, with a wealth of understanding of aspirations of his people.

His record of humanitarianism and his devotion to the needs of this Nation will be long remembered. We will miss his steady hand and clear eye in the years ahead. I claimed him as a friend, and it was a privilege to have worked with him in the Senate Committee on Labor and Public Welfare.

WINSTON L. PROUTY is gone from our ranks, but his large legacy of public service will continue to be a shining example of what we mean when we say—he was a servant of mankind. Mary and I extend our deepest personal sympathy to his widow and to his family.

Mr. SCHWEIKER. Mr. President, I share with all my Senate colleagues a great sense of loss on the untimely death of the distinguished Senator from Vermont, WIN PROUTY, and want to extend my deepest sympathies to his family.

I was privileged to serve side by side with him on the Committee on Labor and Public Welfare, and on many of the important subcommittees of this committee, and was always impressed by his firm grasp of the varied and complex domestic issues that came before this committee.

Most recently, he exercised great leadership as the ranking Republican on the Educational Subcommittee. He was instrumental in working on the landmark higher education bill (S. 659), recently passed by the Senate, just as he had been in the forefront on other important legislation affecting education in recent years.

In the other legislative areas covered by this committee—health, poverty, manpower, labor, and the aging—WIN PROUTY demonstrated his outstanding qualities of intellectual depth, commitment to the problems of all citizens, responsible leadership, and personal dignity, which throughout this public career have brought great credit both to himself and to the State of Vermont.

Not only within the committee, however, but within the Senate as a whole, WIN PROUTY's wisdom, wit, and compassion were an enormous contribution. His love of the Senate as an institution and his dedication to good government combined to make him an effective, valuable legislator.

I mourn this great loss to the Nation and feel grateful for having had the opportunity to work with, to know, and to learn from a great Senator and a great man.

Mr. PEARSON. Mr. President, we have met this morning to honor the memory of our departed colleague, Senator WINSTON PROUTY, of Vermont.

I am sure that the Nation will long remember the many and great contributions WIN PROUTY made during his 13 years in the Senate. It was my honor to serve with him on the Committee on Commerce, and it was through this association that I came to understand his dedication and perseverance, particularly in our work to create needed reforms in all modes of the transportation industry. I know that WIN's great contributions and support, particularly on the floor, had a great deal to do with attaining Senate approval of a law regulating campaign financing in Federal elections.

Mr. President, the Senate has lost a valued associate and legislator. And although the country has derived great benefit from his leadership, I wish to express my regret to his family and the citizens of Vermont for his untimely death.

Mr. HANSEN. Mr. President, I was proud to have served with WINSTON PROUTY of Vermont. All of us in this body will miss him for he was a good man and a good Senator.

As we remember him today, there are many things that could be said of this truly modest human being.

Over one-half of his life was spent in service for others. In 1938 he became one of the youngest mayors in the United States when at the age of 32 he was elected mayor of his hometown, Newport, Vt. He went on to serve three terms in the Vermont House of Representatives and became speaker of the house and was appointed chairman of the Vermont State Water Conservation Board. He left that post to serve as Vermont's single Congressman for four terms in the U.S. House of Representatives.

As a member of the Foreign Affairs Committee in the House, WIN PROUTY served with distinction. He traveled to Korea when that conflict still raged. In 1956–57 he headed a special subcommittee in a mission to the Middle East in order to end that crisis. In his Vermont tradition of commonsense, WIN PROUTY faced world problems with an eye toward their solution rather than their exploitation. Never a headline seeker, Senator PROUTY simply worked for the betterment of his fellow man both at home and abroad.

In 1958 WIN was elected to represent his State in this body. His accomplishments and skills as a legislator set an example for all of us. Senator PROUTY applied his skills to many areas but perhaps his greatest dedication was to those whom he convincingly referred to as the forgotten Americans. Senator PROUTY exhibited a special concern for the aged, the poor, and the black. In 1964 when the Senate Commerce Committee reported the Public Accommodations Act, WIN PROUTY voted to report the bill but he also filed comprehensive individual views setting forth his philosophy toward his fellow man. In his individual views the Senator stated:

> The evil we seek to remove is the degradation of a man in his use of the common privileges because his skin is not the proper color. The affront is to his dignity. The remedy ought to magnify that dignity and give a view upon the essence of humanity—brotherhood in the shadow of God.
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> The bill this committee has reported out pays little heed to these higher values. Based solely on the commerce clause it concerns itself not with man as man but with collateral issues relating to the national economy.
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> I cannot bring myself to agree with the majority that the reason we can legislate in this area is because we are at a point in history where trains, planes, cars, and buses carry bodies, boxes, and bottles from State to State. The black man's right to be treated like the white man has existed from the creation of time, and this right is not founded on sophistication in industry and transportation.

Throughout his career, Senator PROUTY firmly believed that society had an affirmative obligation to recognize the dignity of man. His concern for the older American has been well documented. From his first campaign for Congress in 1950, he persevered in his belief that every older American should be spared from the indignities of poverty. Throughout the years he fought to make income maintenance for older Americans a nonpartisan issue. He made us all think of social security not in terms of statistics but in terms of people. Often he dramatized his point by reducing hard statistics into depressing facts. In 1965 when we were considering a social security increase, he once reminded us that the Department of Labor had established the modest but adequate budget for individual retirees at $1,800 a year. He then reminded us that 3 million of our older Americans were living on $40 a month. Senator PROUTY went on to point out:

> The budget provides for a new topcoat every nine years. Our $40 a month retiree could have one every 35 years. Thus if he retires in Vermont at age 65 on this pittance, he would have to make his topcoat last through 35 beautiful but cold Vermont winters. Then he could expect to buy a new one—unless his family and friends presented him one for his 100th birthday.

When the White House submitted the Tax Adjustment Act of 1966 in order to finance the Vietnam war, WINSTON PROUTY moved to the Senate floor with an amendment to provide those older Americans who received no income maintenance whatever with $40 a month. The Prouty amendment passed and over 1½ million older Americans became eligible for cash income as a result of the dedication and determination by our late colleague from Vermont.

WIN PROUTY first proposed an income plan for older Americans. His gentle persuasion and determined perseverance provided hope, consolation, and dignity for over 20 million older Americans.

As a ranking Republican on the Poverty Subcommittee of the Labor and Public Welfare Committee during the 1960's, Senator PROUTY fought to eliminate poverty. He supported the Economic Opportunity Act and continually fought to make it effective. At one point he devoted the entire efforts of his staff toward conducting the most comprehensive and scientific study of poverty yet undertaken. He convinced us to continue the war on poverty and to enlist the services of the Comptroller General in order to make that war more effective. His support for vocational education, manpower development and training, and countless other measures convinced many Americans that they were not forgotten by WIN PROUTY.

Senator PROUTY was not only one of the most dedicated and courageous Members of this body but was one of the most imaginative. Just a little over a year ago, Senator PROUTY almost single-handedly convinced this body and the White House that the creation of a national rail corporation was the only way to save rail passenger service in this country. When the Senate Commerce Committee reported a bill calling for massive operating subsidies, Senator PROUTY wrote individual views pointing out the dangers of going down the subsidy route and suggested an imaginative alternative which is today Amtrak.

During the last few weeks he was with us, we watched our good friend, WIN PROUTY, guide through this body the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971. Serving on both the Senate Commerce Committee and the Senate Rules Committee, Senator PROUTY had devoted months of gentle persuasion in convincing all of us in Congress and in the White House that the time had come for completely reforming our laws regulating Federal elections. I know that Senator PROUTY, when he left for the hospital in Boston was optimistic that the House would act favorably on the bill he helped so greatly to get through the Senate.

We shall all miss WIN PROUTY. His modesty, his courage, and, above all, his legislative ability made all of us very proud to know him as a friend and colleague.

Mr. BELLMON. Mr. President, Senator WINSTON L. PROUTY of Vermont was one of the most respected members of this body. In his quiet way, he applied the experience of his many years of public service to solving the problems of our country and to representing the people of his State.

WIN PROUTY brought to the Senate a rich background of local and State government service and experience that equipped him well to shoulder the responsibilities and demands of his office. His record of accomplishments during 13 years in the Senate is a testimonial to the dedication and hard work that were so characteristic of this man.

WIN PROUTY was one of the first Members of the Senate I became acquainted with as a new Member, and from the beginning, he went far beyond the call of duty to be helpful. The courteous consideration he accorded to all Members was in keeping with the highest traditions of the Senate.

Serving with Senator PROUTY in committee and this Chamber has been a rare privilege, and I join with my colleagues in mourning the loss of a truly distinguished public servant.

Mr. STEVENS. Mr. President, Alaskans join their fellow Americans in mourning the loss of a good friend and public servant, Senator WINSTON L. PROUTY, of the State of Vermont.

Although our two States are separated by a continent, they have many common problems—problems that were to bring us together and provide me with insight and respect for my colleague from Vermont. I grew to know him better as we worked together on the Commerce Committee and on its Subcommittees on Aviation, Merchant Marine, and Foreign Commerce.

WINSTON L. PROUTY started his career in public service in his hometown of Newport, Vt., where he was a businessman. From 1938 until 1941 he served three terms as the mayor of Newport. In 1941, he was elected to the Vermont House of Representatives, being reelected in 1945 and 1947. During his last term in the Vermont Legislature, he served as speaker.

In 1948, he took over the chairmanship of the Vermont State Water Conservation Board, a post he held until May 1950.

Elected to the U.S. House of Representatives on November 7, 1950, WINSTON L. PROUTY served four terms in the House before running for the Senate in 1958.

He was reelected in 1964 and again in 1970.

During his 13 years in the U.S. Senate, WINSTON L. PROUTY earned the respect of his fellow Senators with his steadfastness and forthright judgment. He was not afraid to speak out on an issue, even if his views were not popular.

His quiet and thoughtful way of working for the Nation's best interest will always be remembered by his Senate colleagues.

As with the residents of my State of Alaska, the people of Vermont judge a man for what he does, not what he says.

And among those Vermonters—those sturdy New Englanders who typify the spirit of the early days of our great country—the name of WINSTON L. PROUTY is revered.

He was admired and respected by his State's citizens, regardless of their individual political persuasion.

An able legislator and thoughtful advocate, WINSTON L. PROUTY was known for his leadership on issues of compassion for the aged,

the worker, the poor, and the handicapped. These people will remember him for years to come.

His long and varied career in public service prepared him well for his tenure in the Senate. He was a capable and hard-working Member of Congress, whose counsel was valued by his associates.

The contributions that WINSTON L. PROUTY has made to the betterment of his hometown of Newport as its mayor, his State of Vermont as a State legislator, and to his Nation as a Congressman will be remembered for years to come.

His loss saddens not only his family, his friends, and his colleagues in the Senate, but rather all Americans—from his fellow citizens in Newport to the residents of the smallest villages in Alaska. They will all miss a man who has done much to better their lot. We will all miss WINSTON L. PROUTY, a dedicated and compassionate American.

He was a friend to all.

Mr. MATHIAS. Mr. President, the Senate has lost one of its most hard-working and diligent Members. The State of Vermont has lost an outstanding champion. The Nation has lost a dedicated public servant.

Senator WINSTON PROUTY was a quiet man, not given to making frequent, emotional speeches or courting publicity for its own sake. Yet he was among the most effective Senators in the slow, patient work of drafting and improving legislation. It is no exaggeration to say that in the fields which he emphasized—education, manpower training, aid to the elderly, and others—virtually every major act of the past 12 years bears the imprint of Senator PROUTY's concern and commonsense. In his committees and on the Senate floor, he worked persistently to insure that educational assistance would be available to students in the liberal arts, and to the handicapped; that Federal grant programs would meet the needs of small States and rural areas; that social security and other programs for our senior citizens would serve more of the older Americans who need help. In such efforts Senator PROUTY was remarkably successful. His was a record of achievement any legislator would be proud to claim.

In focusing on his contributions, we should not fail to remark upon the character of the man. WINSTON PROUTY was a true Vermonter in many senses—in his unassuming nature, his commitment to hard work, his unquestioned honesty, his kindness to his colleagues, his staff, and his constituents. He combined deep commitment with a

sound sense of the practical which led him to secure progress through a series of small steps, rather than wasting time looking for the millenium.

I would like to take special note of Senator PROUTY's contributions as ranking minority member of the Committee on the District of Columbia, where I had the privilege of serving with him during the 91st Congress. Senators will remember, for example, his very constructive survey of the attitudes of inner-city residents toward the poverty program in Washington, and his involvement in the enactment of legislation to grant District of Columbia residents a greater measure of self-government through the election of the local school board and a nonvoting delegate to Congress. His leadership and contributions on this committee were always sensible and constructive.

Mr. President, countless citizens, particularly the young and the old, owe a great deal to WINSTON PROUTY and his work. The legislation which he helped to write is durable, and I hope that, even as we mourn his untimely death, we will give him the overdue recognition which he earned.

Mr. PELL. Mr. President, sadly, I join my colleagues as we pay tribute to our good friend, WINSTON PROUTY, the late junior Senator from Vermont. I miss him very much indeed.

Albeit that we in the Senate knew of his fine work, WINSTON PROUTY was a Senator whose efforts on social legislation were not understood by either the general public or the press. As a ranking minority member of the Subcommittee on Education, WINSTON PROUTY had an impact on the education of our Nation's youth which will be felt for many years. I think that it can be truly said that no other Senator was as concerned about the education of handicapped children as was he. Without his help and the concepts and improvements he helped contribute, S. 659, the "Education Amendments of 1971" which recently passed the Senate, would never have reached the Senate floor.

His quiet advice and wonderful good sense were great guidelines in the formulation of legislation. I shall miss him greatly, both because of our personal friendship and because his advice will no longer be available to me. Our Subcommittee on Education, as well as the Senate itself, has suffered a great loss, and one from which it will continue to suffer in the years to come.

To Mrs. Prouty and his family, I extend my deepest sympathy and want to assure them that I share their sense of grief.

Mr. PERCY. Mr. President, I join with the other Members of the Senate today in mourning the passing of our friend and colleague, WINSTON PROUTY, of Vermont.

In the best tradition of his beloved New England, WIN PROUTY went about his business quietly, but with great force. For 36 years he served the people of his State in various capacities at the local, State, and national levels. Moving on from a term on the city council and three terms as mayor of his native Newport, Vt., he was elected to the Vermont House of Representatives in 1941. Later, in 1950, he was elected to the U.S. House of Representatives where he served ably until his election to the Senate in 1958.

Although WIN generally worked behind the scenes here in the Senate, we all remember with pride his strong support of the elderly through his work with social security legislation. The high quality of the social security program today is a tribute to his efforts. There are thousands of older Americans whose lives are richer because WIN PROUTY helped to expand the social security program to include workers not previously covered under the law.

WIN PROUTY did not confine his interests to social security legislation, however. In his work on the Commerce, Labor and Public Welfare, Rules, and Aging Committees, he worked diligently for the enactment of legislation affecting all of the people of this Nation. Although he was a stanch Republican all his life, WIN voted whichever way his conscience directed on the issues that came before him. He was, as I said, a man who went about his business quietly but he was always well prepared and he was thoughtful in every aspect of his work.

I am grateful to Congresswoman Charlotte Reid for enabling me to see the lighter side of WIN PROUTY. At a dinner party at the Congresswoman's home, WIN showed himself to be as proficient at the piano as he was on the floor of the Senate.

We are a lesser group because of his passing. My sympathies go out to his wife, Jennette, who was constantly at his side and who worked closely with him. As a junior member of the Special Committee on Aging, I invariably found the ranking Republican, WIN PROUTY, to be a source of inspiration to me because of his dedication to the elderly of this land, and his compassion for their problems. I shall miss him.

Mr. BURDICK. Mr. President, the loss of WINSTON L. PROUTY is a blow from which the Senate will not soon recover. It is a dual loss—that of both a Senator of consequence and of a man of personal brilliance and conviction.

Too few persons are given the privilege of favorably affecting the lives of millions of others, but WINSTON PROUTY was not only given that privilege; he respected it and used it wisely. As the ranking Republican on the Education Subcommittee of the Committee on Labor and Public Welfare, he played a major part in forging legislation that has vastly expanded Federal support for education. As a member of the Committees on Commerce and the District of Columbia and of the Special Committee on the Aging, he was ever in the struggle for human rights and dignity. As a Member of the House of Representatives from 1950 to 1958, and as a Senator from 1959 until his death, he was constantly at work in the attempt to expand social security to cover those who had not yet met minimum participation requirements during their working years.

A man of independent spirit, he did and spoke as he thought was right and best for his country. He was one of the finest in the Senate, and I am deeply sorry that he is no longer with us.

Mr. BIBLE. Mr. President, it is with a deep sense of feeling for a capable colleague and a fine friend that I join in expressions honoring the memory and the service of the late distinguished junior Senator from Vermont, WINSTON L. PROUTY.

It was my privilege to come to know Senator PROUTY well under many circumstances as we worked together for 12 years on the Committee on the District of Columbia, an assignment that most Senators view as a chore not to be sought. But for him, I believe that service was basically something in keeping with a motivating guidepost that he demonstrated so often during his years in this body; namely, helping out others when and where help was needed.

WIN PROUTY came to the District Committee in January 1959, at a time when I assumed its chairmanship. He became its ranking minority member in 1965. We had a warm working relationship. We left that committee for other assignments at the close of the 91st Congress in 1970.

His service on the District Committee was always marked by his deep interest in the welfare of the District's working men and women, its teachers, its firemen, and policemen. Great credit goes to him for helping to bring about the establishment of the Federal City College here in Washington and for his affirmative interest in bringing about meaningful court reform in the Nation's Capital City. Another of his great endeavors was to seek congressional approval for a professionally staffed commission to weigh the pros and cons of the best form of government for the city of Washington, where there are both benefits and burdens for its citizenry and its businessmen by reason of its role as the seat of our Federal Government.

As a lawyer myself, I recall so very well the preface Senator PROUTY used so many times in executive sessions of the committee or in floor debate on knotty District matters. His words were: "Although I am not a lawyer and do not have that experience, I—." I can attest that those apparently apologetic words were always followed by the most incisive, organized, in-depth argument to support his point of view that it was my pleasure to have heard.

He had a fine mind and compassion, and his work and his personality were a great credit to himself and his native State which he served so well in both bodies of Congress.

To Mrs. Prouty and to his family, my wife and I extend our deepest sympathies.

MONDAY, *September 27, 1971.*

Mr. DOMINICK. Mr. President, the passing of WINSTON PROUTY is deeply mourned by all of us. He was a member without peer of the Committee on Labor and Public Welfare championing the rights and needs of the elderly, the need for better higher education for all, and elimination of poverty. He came to the Senate with years of experience at the State level, fighting for these same goals.

Every American, regardless of party or allegiance, notes with regret the loss of a great champion of our liberties and the safety of our country. America has lost a statesman, the Senate has lost a beloved colleague, and the State of Vermont has lost a distinguished son. I have lost an admired and respected friend.

Mr. TOWER. Mr. President, I share the deep sense of loss that nearly everyone in this body feels upon the passing of our beloved friend, WIN PROUTY. There have already been quite a few who have chronicled his many achievements both in and out of the Congress. I wish to address myself to WIN personally, which is the way I know him best. When I remember WIN PROUTY I think of his modesty, a modesty that cloaked a deep understanding of our political system, a modesty that helped develop his compassion for the elderly, the young, and the disadvantaged. I think also of his hard work and prodigious efforts. These Yankee virtues earned for WIN the respect of all those who worked with him, both those who agreed with as well as those who disagreed with him. His quiet manner made possible a fine examination of problems that would not have been possible in a more heated situation.

Mr. President, WIN PROUTY was a friend of mine, and I shall miss him very much. He was, to me, the personification of the New England character which has added so much to the American heritage that we all cherish. He was living proof that hard work can and does bring success; that from a failure can come dynamic achievement; that we do not need to speak loudly in order to be heard. His dedication to ideals and principles that were of the highest order brought his proposals instant respect. When he spoke to us in his mild manner, everyone listened. When he admonished us, all would stop and review our positions. Now that he is gone from us, a stillness in the wind has vanished from this body, a reflective voice is no longer with us, a prudent evaluator of ideas and ideals will be missed.

WINSTON L. PROUTY, rest in peace. Your example shall remain with us as a lasting memorial of the best of our Republic.

Mr. BENNETT. Mr. President, I wish to add my condolences to those already expressed by this body on the passing of our esteemed colleague, Senator WINSTON PROUTY.

Senator PROUTY came to the Senate in 1958, a member of my own party, yet adhered to no strict philosophy except that dictated by the strength of his own ideals. Senator PROUTY exemplified the virtues of moderation, reason and consideration which are the hallmark of a statesman and a gentleman.

Senator PROUTY's public career was quietly and efficiently distinguished. He participated in government at every level, from mayor of Newport, Vt., as a member and speaker of the Vermont House of Representatives, and finally, as a dedicated public servant in the House and here in the Senate.

Senator PROUTY left his solid imprint on much of the legislation passed by this body. Few bills have been passed in the fields of education, social security, health care, labor, welfare, or commerce which have not included substantive contributions by this quiet, effective, hard-working legislator.

I was not privileged to serve on the same committees as our late colleague, but I do know he had a reputation for accuracy, efficiency, effectiveness and courage in his dealings here in the Senate.

Senator PROUTY does not leave behind the legacy of an ambitious man, and I am sure he would not care to. His legacy is one of concern, compassion and effort in behalf of the principles and people he believed in.

And so, Mr. President, I join in reverencing the memory of our late colleague, and together with Mrs. Bennett, extend sincere sympathy and condolences to Mrs. Prouty and the Prouty family.

WEDNESDAY, *September 29, 1971.*

Mr. TAFT. Mr. President, I was deeply saddened by the untimely passing of our distinguished colleague WINSTON L. PROUTY.

I was privileged to serve with WIN for a brief time on the Committee on Labor and Public Welfare. He was a dedicated and most effective member of that committee. He was a man who knew and deeply understood the pulse of our Nation.

He empathized with the elderly and was instrumental in passing legislation to provide for their own self-respect and social betterment.

For 20 years WIN PROUTY has quietly championed the causes of the poor, the sick, and the handicapped. He deeply understood and felt the need to open the doors of our educational institutions to the less fortunate.

He led the fight for the 1970 passage of the increase in social security benefits and was studying proposals for national health insurance when death took him.

He was a humanitarian, an outstanding legislator, and a man of the highest character. He will be missed by this body, by those who so greatly benefited by his work, by his home State of Vermont, and by his country.

I will truly miss his wise and dedicated counsel.

Mrs. Taft and I extend our deepest sympathy to his wife Jennette and members of the Prouty family.

Mr. BROCK. Mr. President, the death of Senator WINSTON L. PROUTY, of Vermont, was a great loss to the America he loved so much. It will be difficult for all of us to visualize the U.S. Senate without his presence, for we loved and admired his strength, stability, grace, and skill.

As a public servant, he has served his party and his Nation well. He had a multitude of friends in the Senate, serving on both sides of the aisle, who deeply respected his infinite store of knowledge of the legislative process he loved so well.

The Senate, the administration, the Republican Party, the State of Vermont—but, most important, the Nation and its people—will miss his leadership and his zest for life. His record and his indomitable spirit are monuments to the qualities of leadership and character which he embodied and to which we all aspire. His passing from the political scene leaves a void of great dimension.

His integrity, his faith in America and God, his legislative leadership, his humanity and compassion will never be forgotten.

Mrs. Brock joins me in extending our deepest sympathy to Mrs. Prouty and his family in their time of sorrow.

THURSDAY, *September 30, 1971.*

Mr. BAYH. Mr. President, in an age when politics have been criticized as being inadequately creative, I am especially proud to have served in the Senate with WINSTON PROUTY, of Vermont. WIN was a true public servant. During 33 years he consecutively served Vermont as mayor, State representative, U.S. Representative, and U.S. Senator. His varied experience with the problems affecting the people of Vermont gave WIN a remarkable broad perspective on what legislation could best solve those problems. And as a result,

we have an expanded and more generous social security system, a fuller manpower training program, and a bipartisan Senate effort to strengthen the Administration on Aging by increasing its funding. I am confident that WIN's legislative efforts will serve as a strong foundation for any future congressional action in the areas of his expertise. We have already witnessed a great public interest in improved health care and in more efficient hospital facilities. WIN was a pioneer in this field. We have heard both parties advocate the concept of a minimum income level. WIN was one of the first proponents of this concept also.

Senator PROUTY served 12 years as a Senator. During that time, he gave generously of his time and encouraged the Nation to similarly give generously of its resources to all citizens. Although WIN avoided undue publicity or extravagant campaign expense, he was reelected to various offices 12 times during his career; such an endorsement by his constituents is ample tribute to the fine legislative record of the late Senator from Vermont.

I can only express my personal gratefulness for the chance to have known WIN and to express Marvella's and my deepest sympathy to Jennette and the family. The Senate has lost a fine colleague and leader.

Mr. FULBRIGHT. Mr. President, I wish to join my colleagues in paying tribute to the late Senator from Vermont, WINSTON PROUTY. WIN PROUTY served his hometown of Newport, Vt., his State, and his Nation well for 33 years in public life. In the Senate, as a member of the Committee on Labor and Public Welfare, the Commerce Committee, and the Special Committee on Aging, Senator PROUTY worked tirelessly for the elderly, the underprivileged and the handicapped. He will probably be remembered best for his leadership in extending the social security program.

WINSTON PROUTY cared little for publicity. He was a quiet and thoughtful man. Yet, he was an effective and well respected legislator. He will be missed.

TUESDAY, *October 5, 1971.*

Mr. GAMBRELL. Mr. President, although I did not have an opportunity to become well acquainted with the late Senator from

Vermont, WINSTON L. PROUTY, I have been genuinely moved by the outpouring of feeling toward this sincere and gentle man.

It seems to me that the Senate could learn a valuable lesson from him—the importance of simplicity—simplicity of words, of style, and of intent. Senator PROUTY, through his franchise from the people of Vermont and through his committee assignments, accomplished some real good for mankind by his constant work in behalf of the handicapped, the elderly, and the underprivileged.

The heartfelt gratitude of the beneficiaries of this man's untiring effort will form a suitable memorial to this dedicated public servant.

Mrs. Gambrell and I extend our deepest sympathy to Mrs. Prouty and her family in their time of loss.

TUESDAY, *October 19, 1971.*

Mr. TUNNEY. Mr. President, the passing of our colleague, WINSTON PROUTY, of Vermont, is a sad occasion for the Senate. WIN PROUTY devoted much of his life to public service—to the people of his city, his State, and his Nation—and he did it in an often unheralded but always effective manner. Although he was not one of the most outspoken Senators, the speeches that he did make were always well thought out and persuasive. His thoroughness in preparation was exemplified in the legislation which he introduced.

In his more than 30 years of public service, many of his finest achievements aided those who found it most difficult to help themselves. The poor, the elderly, and the handicapped could not find a more sympathetic or responsive ally. His involvement on the Labor and Public Welfare Committee and his leadership in social security reform typified his concern for these often neglected groups.

WINSTON PROUTY will be sorely missed by those whom he represented, and the Senate will be a lesser place without him.

Mr. LONG. Mr. President, I shall remember WINSTON PROUTY as a colleague and friend whose distinguished career in public service spanned the past 33 years.

Senator WINSTON L. PROUTY was not only a great Senator, but a great humanitarian as well. We all know of his deep concern for the aged, the poor, and the sick. I served with WIN PROUTY during

his 14 years in the Senate and remember well his constant dedication to these often overlooked but deserving Americans. His accomplishments in this field make an impressive list.

From the time he came to Washington as a freshman Representative in 1959, he dedicated his efforts to alleviating the plight of the aged. He cared about them, and his endeavors on their behalf never ceased. I remember when, only 6 years ago, it was his amendment that expanded the social security program to include more than 2 million aged Americans who had been ineligible for benefits.

I also had the honor of serving with him on the Committee on Commerce, of which he was the ranking minority member. He worked diligently to save and restore rail passenger service for the Nation, and it was he who proposed the National Rail Passenger Corporation which was created by Congress last year.

Carolyn and I extend our deepest personal sympathy to his wife, Jennette, his daughters, and the other members of his family. I join my colleagues in mourning this great loss to our country.

WEDNESDAY, *November 10, 1971.*

Mr. CRANSTON. Mr. President, WINSTON PROUTY was a friend and respected colleague to many of his fellow Senators. During his years in the House and Senate, we learned to respect his fairness, his good judgment, and his compassion for his fellow man. I was privileged to serve with him on the Committee on Labor and Public Welfare, where his deep interest in and knowledge of issues basic to the Nation's well being was evident in his contributions to our work. He left his imprint on the many pieces of landmark legislation developed by that committee over his 12 years of service as a committee member.

His amendments to the Employment and Training Opportunities Act of 1970 indicate his concern for the right of each individual to a life of dignity; one would provide special consideration to jobless heads of households with dependents; another would provide special consideration in job referral to those who need it most—the unemployed, underemployed, or the unskilled; a third amendment would emphasize training in skills that would lead to long-term employment

and career opportunities, rather than just dead end jobs meeting a short-term crisis.

This same concern for human dignity extended to the many reform measures he introduced to benefit the elderly. I was aware of his leadership in this area prior to my joining the Senate, and I was deeply impressed to see him pleading for benefits and programs that were well ahead of their time. For years he urged a minimum annual income for all Americans over 65 and argued for increased Social Security benefits at a level which would come closer to meeting the realities of rising prices. He fought for liberalized social security earnings tests and a waiver of coverage for workers over 65. He sponsored legislation to expand medicare benefits by eliminating deductible and coinsurance features; extending coverage to prescription drugs, eyeglasses and dental work; lowering women's eligibility from the age of 65 to 62; and permitting easier access to extended care facilities. This legislation has not yet been enacted, but undoubtedly will become law in the future, due, in large part, to the groundwork laid by Senator PROUTY.

In the health care area, his commitment to finding new approaches to solving the problems besetting the Nation is evident in the leadership role he played in this historic health legislation passed by Congress in the past 10 years. The Health Professions Educational Assistance Act and the Nurse Training Act, which were just extended by Congress, were originally developed with Senator PROUTY playing a major role in establishing the basic underlying philosophy.

He saw future weaknesses in the health care system before they became readily apparent to others. He was a cosponsor of the Family Practice Act of 1970, which passed the Senate but on which action was never completed in the House. This year, comparable provisions were included in the bill extending the Health Manpower Act. These provisions will encourage young men and women to enter the field of family medicine, and will encourage schools and hospitals to develop more programs for training in these specialties.

He was an early supporter of the legislation developing Federal programs for research, teaching, and demonstrations in the fields of heart, cancer, and stroke—the regional medical programs—and was very active in his support of the northern New England regional medical program. This program has an outstanding record in establishing coronary care units throughout the area. Senator PROUTY was

a leader in efforts to strengthen the role of the regional medical programs in local initiatives to improve and coordinate the provision of health care, a role now generally accepted, but rejected in many areas only a few years ago.

He lead in the development of other health care legislation providing answers to current problems, such as the first comprehensive approach to treating mental retardation and mental health—the Mental Retardation Facilities and Community Mental Health Centers Construction Act. When that act came up for extension in 1970 he was active in amendments which would make the benefits of this legislation especially available to poverty areas through increased financial assistance.

Senator PROUTY also participated actively in the expansion of the community mental health center program to include specific projects for alcoholism. He was also deeply involved in the enactment of legislation to authorize programs for the prevention, treatment, and rehabilitation of drug addiction.

Since coming to the Senate, I have been privileged to Chair the subcommittees having jurisdiction over legislation affecting medical care for veterans. Senator PROUTY always provided the greatest support to me in my efforts to insure that the Nation's veterans receive the high quality health care the citizens of this Nation wish them to receive.

He was one of the first to recognize the potential of the veteran who had received training as a medic in military service and call for programs to utilize his experience and skills in the civilian community. He introduced legislation in 1969 which would have established a program to recruit and train veteran medics for civilian health positions. These provisions were incorporated in 1970 in the extension of the Allied Health Professions Education Act, and just recently the comprehensive Health Manpower Training Act of 1971 also included provisions to encourage the utilization of these valuable young men in civilian medical careers. I feel this is an answer to many problems in the health field, and have myself introduced legislation to encourage the Veterans' Administration in its medical facilities, as well as medical schools and other medical education institutions, to take full advantage of the training these men have received and adjust and expand their training for utilization in the civilian sector. Thus again, Senator PROUTY's vision is becoming reality.

Senator PROUTY, who prior to his service in the Senate was a Member of the House and had served there on the House Veterans' Affairs Committee, consistently supported moves to create a standing Committee on Veterans' Affairs in the Senate, and in this session of Congress such a committee was born.

It would be impossible to cite all the reforms Senator PROUTY took a leadership role in achieving. I have been able to touch upon only a few. But as we take on new matters in Congress, we are constantly reminded of the stands he has taken and the leadership he has provided in earlier discussions in the Senate and the House. We already miss his good counsel, his judgment, and his constant dedication to principle and we miss him as a close friend and associate. Our loss will seem greater as time passes. But his ideas are still with us, and the contributions he has made to the Nation's laws will remain as the foundation for many future innovations.

WEDNESDAY, *January 19, 1972.*

Mr. AIKEN. Mr. President, I present for printing in the Record eulogies to the late Senator WINSTON L. PROUTY, by Gov. Deane C. Davis of Vermont, and by the legislature of the State of Vermont.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Under the previous order the eulogies will be printed in the Record.

The eulogies are as follows:

REMARKS BY GOV. DEANE C. DAVIS IN EULOGY OF OUR LATE SENATOR WINSTON L. PROUTY

Tonight, in the shadow of WIN PROUTY's distinguished career, I find myself faced with a difficult task—that of expressing in adequate terms our thoughts of his greatness.

There is no tribute I can pay that will increase his stature in your minds or on the pages of history. The story of this man—friend, patriot, farsighted legislator—cannot be told adequately in words. But it is told, and lastingly told, in his own deeds. It is a story that will not be forgotten by those of us who knew him, worked with him, and deeply respected him.

I could not let this occasion pass without adding my deeply grateful appreciation for his service to all of us and my profound sorrow at his passing. WIN's passing has left a void that is both personal and deep. My affection for WIN was born of a feeling that this great State was his very life and as he was devoted to us, we were devoted to him.

This is not the time to attempt a lengthy statement, but I would, as I reflect upon the life of our late Senator, observe that of all the memories I have of WIN, by far the most memorable will always be the enduring example of his personal integrity. He was a superior man because of this.

As the apostle has told us: "Him that is great among you, let him become your servant" and so our good friend made himself a servant, not of one class or group, but of all of us.

We here who knew him best chose him as our standard bearer, and Vermonters of all persuasions reciprocated in expressing their confidence in our selection by entrusting the mantle of leadership upon our chosen representative.

Although a stalwart Republican who strove mightily to advance the interest of our party, I know from having campaigned with him last fall that his constant and principal concern was the welfare and progress of his beloved constituents.

He never forgot that it was the people who sent him to Washington for over twenty years, through years of recession and years of prosperity.

He would not let any of us forget this unassailable confidence in the judgment of Vermonters. He was prepared always to abide by their choices. Vermonters, he reasoned, would not be fooled for long and poor choices would be corrected.

He insisted that a conscientious concern for the common good be held aloft as the standard to which all worthy politicians could aspire.

As he himself so aptly expressed it:

"A man cannot delegate his conscience to the crowd. It is as solitary as his soul."

He would not let any of us forget this bedrock truth and for the enduring example set by this conception of the public trust. I remain indebted to him.

He was truly a Green Mountain patriot. He was forever loyal to old traditions and forever alert to new ways to serve social progress and human freedom. He dedicated his life to compassion and understanding in our behalf.

He focused his legislative concerns on the plight of our elderly, on the need for educating our youngsters and providing meaningful employment for the unskilled and otherwise disadvantaged. His thoughts and energies were directed toward the people and his resolve was to help those who justly needed and deserved the benefits of his legislative skills. Regardless of his work schedule, he cared and took the time to champion the cause of the sick, the afflicted and the destitute.

"When someone writes me on tablet paper with a lead pencil," he once told me, "I figure what he's writing me about is pretty important to him."

He never forgot the people, the plain average people who put their trust in him, nor did they ever once lose faith in him.

This, my friends, was a great and good man. To him we owe a debt of gratitude for demonstrating to us the values of honesty without vanity and friendship without falsehood.

If he were here tonight, he would urge us to maintain the traditions of Vermont's patriots whom he emulated in thought and action.

His life and his achievements will be emulated—but not surpassed. Surely here was a man whose imprint upon this State will be one for good and strength long after all of us have left this earth.

His place in history is secure.

It can truly be said he left "footprints on the sands of time."

And now it is our duty to carry on the legacy of devotion to the public interest which his example has taught us. This is the monument which we can all help build to this outstanding Vermonter.

JOINT RESOLUTION EXPRESSING SYMPATHY ON THE DEATH OF U.S. SENATOR WINSTON L. PROUTY, WHICH WAS ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY AND APPROVED JANUARY 10, 1972.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my Official Seal, at Montpelier, this 11th day of January A.D., 1972.

RICHARD C. THOMAS,
Secretary of State.

J.R.H. 58. JOINT RESOLUTION EXPRESSING SYMPATHY ON THE DEATH OF U.S. SENATOR WINSTON L. PROUTY

Whereas, United States Senator WINSTON L. PROUTY died September 10, 1971, at the age of 65; *and*

Whereas, WIN PROUTY was active in municipal, state and federal government for many years, having served most ably as mayor of his home town of Newport, as representative to the General Assembly from the city in 1941 and 1945, being elected Speaker in 1947, member of the U.S. House of Representatives from 1951 to 1959, and of the U.S. Senate from 1959 until his death; *and*

Whereas, during that long and dedicated service to his beloved city, state and country he dedicated his life and his legislative concerns with humility and integrity on the plight of our elderly, the sick, the afflicted and the destitute. His thoughts and energies were directed on the need for educating our youngsters and providing meaningful employment for the unskilled and otherwise disadvantaged; *and*

Whereas, during that entire period WIN PROUTY demonstrated his leadership and dedication to the principles of good government. As he himself so aptly expressed it "A man cannot delegate his conscience to the crowd. It is as solitary as his soul"; *and*

Whereas, with the passing of the Honorable WINSTON L. PROUTY, Vermont and the Nation lost a well loved citizen and a humble and dedicated public servant, *now therefore be it*

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives: That we express our deep sympathy and deep sense of loss on the death of United States Senator WINSTON L. PROUTY; and be it further

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be hereby instructed to send copies of this resolution to the bereaved family, to the President of the United States, the President of the U.S. Senate, the Speaker of the U.S. House of Representatives and to our Congressional delegation.

Approved: January 10, 1972.

DEANE C. DAVIS,
Governor.
WALTER L. KENNEDY,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.
JOHN S. BURGESS,
President of the Senate.

Mr. KENNEDY. Mr. President, it is with deep regret that I mourn the death of my distinguished colleague, friend, neighbor, and great New England Senator, WINSTON L. PROUTY of Vermont. Day in and day out, serving side-by-side with Senator PROUTY on many occasions, I came to know him well and to respect his extraordinary wisdom and compassion. As members of both the Committee on Labor and Public Welfare and the Special Committee on Aging, we had numerous opportunities to debate and work together on a wide variety of vital issues, and I never failed to appreciate the depth of his insight or the force of his integrity.

During his service in the Congress—8 years in the House of Representatives and 13 in the Senate—WINSTON PROUTY was a good and faithful servant of the people of Vermont. On the problems of the elderly, he compiled a remarkable record of achievement. He was one of the Senate's strongest advocates of social security, forcefully opposing all attempts to limit the program, always in the forefront of the movement to expand it. Always, he was guided by the principle that, as he often said, "The social security program ought to provide security."

In the area of education, Senator PROUTY earned wide and well-deserved prestige as the ranking Republican member of the Education Subcommittee, where he became one of the foremost champions of the Nation's colleges and schools. As a member of the Health Subcommittee, he was a pioneer in all our efforts to bring decent health care to the Nation, and he was one of the first Senators to urge a national health program for senior citizens. I recall with special fondness the many productive days we shared together on all these issues.

In fighting for the rights of all the people, Senator PROUTY revealed his deep concern for Americans in need. He was a man of magnificent talent and ability, and his record of accomplishment will forever be a source of pride to the State he loved and the people he served so well. Vermont has lost a great Senator, and Massachusetts has lost a worthy neighbor. I shall miss him as we carry on his work.

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THURSDAY, *September 16, 1971.*

Let us worship God.

Jesus said:

I am the resurrection and the life; he who believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live, and whoever lives and believes in me shall never die.

Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.

Let us pray.

Almighty God, whose love is everlasting, and who can turn the shadow of death into daybreak; help us to receive Thy work with believing hearts that, through the comfort of the Scriptures, we may have hope and be lifted above our darkness into the light and peace of Thy presence; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Hear the Word of God in the Old Testament:

Lord, thou hast been our dwelling place in all generations.
Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever thou hadst formed the earth and the world, from everlasting to everlasting thou art God.
Thou turnest man back to the dust, and sayest, "Turn back, O children of men!"
For a thousand years in thy sight are but as yesterday when it is past, or as a watch in the night.
Thou dost sweep men away; they are like a dream, like grass which is renewed in the morning:
In the morning it flourishes and is renewed; in the evening it fades and withers.
The years of our life are threescore and ten, or even by reason of strength fourscore;
Yet their span is but toil and trouble; they are soon gone, and we fly away.
So teach us to number our days that we may get a heart of wisdom.
Return, O Lord! How long? Have pity on thy servants!
Satisfy us in the morning with thy steadfast love, that we may rejoice and be glad all our days.
Make us glad as many days as thou hast afflicted us, and as many years as we have seen evil.
Let thy work be manifest to thy servants, and thy glorious power to their children.
Let the favor of the Lord our God be upon us, and establish thou the work of hands upon us, yea, the work of our hands establish thou it. (*Psalm 90:1–6, 10, 12–17.*)

O Lord, thou hast searched me and known me!
Thou knowest when I sit down and when I rise up; thou discernest my thoughts from afar.
Thou searchest out my path and my lying down, and art acquainted with all my ways.
Even before a word is on my tongue, lo, O Lord, thou knowest it altogether.
Thou dost beset me behind and before, and layest thy hand upon me.
Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; it is high, I cannot attain it.

Whither shall I go from thy Spirit? Or whither shall I flee
from thy presence?
If I ascend to heaven, thou are there! If I make my bed in
Sheol, thou art there!
If I take the wings of the morning
and dwell in the uttermost part of the sea,
Even there thy hand shall lead me,
and thy right hand shall hold me.
If I say, "Let only darkness cover me,
and the light about me be night,"
Even the darkness is not dark to thee,
the night is bright as the day;
for darkness is as light with thee.
For thou didst form my inward parts,
thou didst knit me together in my mother's womb.
I praise three, for thou art fearful and wonderful.
Wonderful are thy works!
Thou knowest me right well;
my frame was not hidden from thee,
When I was being made in secret,
intricately wrought in the depths of the earth.
Thy eyes beheld my unformed substance;
in thy book were written, every one of them,
The days that were formed for me,
when as yet there was none of them.
How precious to me are thy thoughts, O God!
How vast is the sum of them!
If I would count them, they are more than the sand.
When I awake, I am still with thee.
Search me, O God, and know my heart!
Try me and know my thoughts!
And see if there be any wicked way in me,
and lead me in the way everlasting!

(*Psalm 139: 1–18, 23–24.*)

The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want;
he makes me lie down in green pastures.
He leads me beside still waters;
he restores my soul.

He leads me in paths of righteousness
for his name's sake.
Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
I fear no evil;
For thou art with me;
thy rod and thy staff,
they comfort me.
Thou preparest a table before me
in the presence of my enemies;
Thou anointest my head with oil,
my cup overflows.
Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me
all the days of my life;
And I shall dwell in the house of the Lord
for ever. (*Psalm 23.*)

Hear the Word of God in the New Testament:

"Let not your hearts be troubled; believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house are many rooms; if it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And when I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, that where I am you may be also. And you know the way where I am going." Thomas said to him, "Lord, we do not know where you are going; how can we know the way?" Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life; no one comes to the Father, but by me." (*John 14:1–6.*)

But we would not have you ignorant, brethren, concerning those who are asleep, that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have fallen asleep. (*I Thessalonians 4:13–14.*)

But some one will ask, "How are the dead raised? With what kind of body do they come?" You foolish man! What you sow does not come to life unless it dies. And what you sow is not the body which is to be, but a bare kernel, perhaps of wheat or of some other grain. But God gives it a body as he has chosen, and to each kind of seed its own body. For not all flesh is alike, but

there is one kind for men, another for animals, another for birds, and another for fish. There are celestial bodies and there are terrestrial bodies; but the glory of the celestial is one, and the glory of the terrestrial is another. There is one glory of the sun, and another glory of the moon, and another glory of the stars; for star differs from star in glory.

So is it with the resurrection of the dead. What is sown is perishable, what is raised is imperishable. It is sown in dishonor, it is raised in glory. It is sown in weakness, it is raised in power. It is sown a physical body, it is raised a spiritual body. If there is a physical body, there is also a spiritual body. As was the man of dust, so are those who are of the dust; and as is the man of heaven, so are those who are of heaven. Just as we have borne the image of the man of dust, we shall also bear the image of the man of heaven. I tell you this, brethren: flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God, nor does the perishable inherit the imperishable. (*I Corinthians 15, 3–8, 12–19, 35–44, 48–50.*)

So we do not lose heart. Though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed every day. For this slight momentary affliction is preparing for us an eternal weight of glory beyond all comparison, because we look not to the things that are seen but to the things that are unseen; for the things that are seen are transient, but the things that are unseen are eternal.

For we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens. Here indeed we groan, and long to put on our heavenly dwelling, so that by putting it on we may not be found naked. For while we are still in this tent, we sigh with anxiety; not that we would be unclothed, but that we would be further clothed, so that what is mortal may be swallowed up by life. He who has prepared us for this very thing is God, who has given us the Spirit as a guarantee.

So we are always of good courage; we know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord, for we walk by faith, not by sight. We are of good courage, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord. So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please him. (*II Corinthians 4:13 to 5:9.*)

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By his great mercy we have been born anew to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, and to an inheritance which is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, who by God's power are guarded through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. In this you rejoice, though now for a little while you may have to suffer various trials, so that the genuineness of your faith, more precious than gold which though perishable is tested by fire, may redound to praise and glory and honor at the revelation of Jesus Christ. Without having seen him you love him; though you do not now see him you believe in him and rejoice with unutterable and exalted joy. As the outcome of your faith you obtain the salvation of your souls. (*I Peter 1:3–9.*)

For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named, that according to the riches of his glory he may grant you to be strengthened with might through his Spirit in the inner man, and that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith; that you, being rooted and grounded in love, may have power to comprehend with all the saints what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ which surpasses knowledge, that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.

Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, for ever and ever. Amen. (*Ephesians 3:14–21.*)

Let us pray.

God of all grace, who in Jesus Christ our Savior brought eternal life to light: we give Thee thanks that by His death He has destroyed the power of death and sin, and by His resurrection opened the kingdom of heaven to all. Grant us to know that because He lives, we shall live also, and that neither death nor life, nor things present, nor things to come, shall be able to separate us from Thy love, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

O Thou before whom the generations rise and pass away: we praise Thee for all Thy servants who, having lived this life in faith, now live eternally with Thee. Especially do we thank

Thee for Thy servant WINSTON, for the gift of his life, and for all that in him was good and kind and faithful.

We thank Thee for his home and family and his witness to Thy truth. We thank Thee for his gracious manner, his quiet industry, his elevated ideals, his firmness of conviction, his resolute devotion to duty, his magnanimity of mind, his lofty patriotism, and his enduring faith in Thee. We thank Thee for the legacy of his public service, especially for his devotion to the needs of the aged, the sick, the friendless, and the lonely. We thank Thee for his devotion to youth and their education; to the cause of peace at home and abroad.

We thank Thee that for him death is past and pain is ended and that he has entered the joy which Thou hast prepared; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Almighty God, who in Jesus Christ promised many homes within Thy house: grant us faith to see beyond our touch and sight some sign of Thy kingdom and, where vision dims, to trust Thy love which never fails. Lift from us the weight of sorrow and give us such a good hope in Jesus that we may bravely walk this earthly way and at last be joined in glory with those we love; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who was dead but is risen, to whom be honor and praise, now and forever. Amen.

And now, O Father, with thankful hearts that Thou has given us a pilgrimage here for a season with Thy servant WINSTON; we give him back to Thy tender care, until the shadows flee away, and the brighter day dawns, when the seen and the unseen are indistinguishable in Thy kingdom everlasting. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Benediction:

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. Amen.

Prayer of the Chaplain, The Reverend Edward L. R. Elson, on Monday, September 13, 1971, following the death of WINSTON L. PROUTY

Eternal Father, in whom we live and move and have our being, we thank Thee for the life and work of our fallen comrade, WINSTON L. PROUTY.

We give thanks to Thee for his selfless service to his State, to the Nation, and to the world.

For his dedication to human betterment, the care of the aged, help for the needy, and instruction to the young, we give Thee thanks. For his fidelity to high trust, for his elevated patriotism, and his devotion to the cause of justice and peace at home and abroad, we give Thee thanks. For his gentle manner, his quiet demeanor, and his steadfast faith in Thee, we give Thee thanks. May the memory of his great and good life speak to us of the higher qualities which abide all time and move us to a deeper commitment to be Thy faithful servants all our days.

And now, we beseech Thee to be with all who serve in this Chamber, that we may have wisdom and grace to do justly, to love mercy, and to walk humbly with Thee.

In the Redeemer's name, we pray. Amen.

PROCEEDINGS
IN THE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Proceedings in the House

MONDAY, *September 13, 1971.*

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Arrington, one of its clerks, announced that the Senate had passed a resolution of the following title:

SENATE RESOLUTION 165

Resolved, That the Senate has heard with profound sorrow and deep regret the announcement of the death of the Honorable WINSTON L. PROUTY, late a Senator from the State of Vermont.

Resolved, That a committee of Senators be appointed by the President of the Senate to attend the funeral of the deceased.

Resolved, That the Secretary communicate these resolutions to the House of Representatives and transmit an enrolled copy thereof to the family of the deceased.

Resolved, That when the Senate adjourns today, it adjourns as a further mark of respect to the memory of the deceased Senator.

Mr. STAFFORD. Mr. Speaker, I regret to have to announce to my colleagues in the House the tragic death of the junior Senator from Vermont, WINSTON L. PROUTY, who was a Member of this body for four terms. Senator PROUTY passed away on Friday, September 10, 1971.

He was a most distinguished American and Vermonter and a personal friend of mine.

Mr. Speaker, after an agreement with you and consistent with similar activities in the other body later today, may I make note of the time for memorial services for Senator PROUTY and invite the Members of the House who knew him to join in those services.

Mr. Speaker, as I said I would earlier this afternoon when I announced the tragic passing of Vermont's junior Senator, WINSTON L. PROUTY, formerly a Member of this House for four terms, I am now prepared to advise the membership of the arrangements for memorial services and so on in connection with the late Senator.

The funeral arrangements are in the hands of Joseph Gawler Sons, Inc., of Wisconsin Avenue and Harrison Street NW.

Visiting hours today, September 13, at Gawler's Funeral Home at that address, Wisconsin Avenue and Harrison Street NW., are from 5 to 8 p.m.

Tomorrow there will be memorial services in Washington, D.C., at the Georgetown Presbyterian Church, 3115 P Street NW., at 2 p.m., with the Reverend Edward L. R. Elson, Senate Chaplain, presiding.

Those wishing to attend should know that a delegation from Congress will leave the Senate stairs for the services at 1:15 p.m.

On Wednesday, September 15, the congressional committee will depart the Senate stairs of the Capitol at 8:15 a.m. and planes will leave Andrews Air Force Base at 9 a.m. for a flight to the Burlington, Vt., airport, from which transportation will be provided for memorial services at the United Church of Newport at Newport, Vt., at 2 o'clock.

Interment at Newport will follow immediately after the church services, and planes will return to Washington in time to be back at Andrews Air Force Base at 7:15 p.m.

May I also inform my colleagues of the House that the family requests that in lieu of flowers contributions be made to the Winston L. Prouty Memorial Fund for the North County Hospital and Health Center, Newport, Vt. 05855.

Mr. Speaker, I offer a resolution.

The Clerk read the resolution as follows:

Resolved, That the House has heard with profound sorrow of the death of the Honorable WINSTON L. PROUTY, a Senator of the United States from the State of Vermont.

Resolved, That the Clerk communicate these resolutions to the Senate and transmit a copy thereof to the family of the deceased Senator.

Resolved, That a committee of Members be appointed on the part of the House to join the committee appointed on the part of the Senate to attend the funeral.

The resolutions were agreed to.

The SPEAKER. The Chair appoints as members of the Funeral Committee the following Members on the part of the House: Mr. Stafford and Mr. Chamberlain.

The Clerk will report the remaining resolution.

The Clerk read as follows:

Resolved, That as a further mark of respect to the memory of the deceased, the House do now adjourn.

The resolution was agreed to.

Accordingly (at 5 o'clock and 35 minutes p.m.) the House adjourned until tomorrow, Tuesday, September 14, 1971, at 12 o'clock noon.

WEDNESDAY, *September 22, 1971.*

Mr. KEITH. Mr. Speaker, the passing, Friday, of the distinguished gentleman from Vermont, the Honorable WINSTON L. PROUTY, is mourned in the House as it is in the Senate.

Before being elected to the Senate in 1958, Mr. PROUTY served four consecutive terms in this body. Here, as in the Senate, he served with prudence, compassion and distinction. Here, as in the Senate, he was known as a warm, friendly and cooperative colleague. Here, as in the Senate, he will be missed.

The senior Senator from Vermont, Mr. Aiken, has arranged a special order for 10 a.m., tomorrow, to permit Mr. PROUTY's former colleagues in that body to eulogize him. At the request of our good friend, Bob Stafford, I have requested a 60-minute special order for tomorrow in order to give all those in this body the opportunity to deliver their eulogies to this most remarkable man and memorable colleague.

THURSDAY, *September 23, 1971.*

Mr. KEITH. Mr. Speaker, with your permission, and at the request of our good friend, Mr. Robert T. Stafford, I arranged this opportunity to honor the memory of the late WINSTON L. PROUTY.

Mr. Stafford intended to discharge this responsibility, but, as we know, the rapid flow of events has led to his appointment, by Gov. Deane C. Davis, to assume Mr. PROUTY's duties in the Senate.

In that body, this morning, eulogies were given under a special order arranged by the distinguished senior Senator from Vermont, Mr. George Aiken.

For many years, I have enjoyed more than an average association with Massachusetts' good neighbor State of Vermont, and with the Prouty family, long associated with public affairs and the national interest.

For example, the late Senator's brother, Paul, in his own quiet way, is active in the civic affairs in the city of Brockton as was the Senator in the affairs of our Nation.

WIN PROUTY came to the House, in 1951, against a background of 18 years' combined service as a member of the Newport, Vt., City Council, as that city's mayor, and as a State representative.

Throughout his 10 consecutive years in the House, and his subsequent 12 years in the Senate, he earned the reputation of a public servant infinitely qualified to respond to the particular needs of his constituents and, at once, to contribute richly to the national policy and interest.

He was quiet, even diffident, and he was moderate. He was a man of deep personal conviction and demonstrable independence of thought. He could give himself to far-ranging international problems without losing contact with the needs of the aged, the underprivileged, or our veterans.

In short, WINSTON PROUTY was an able legislator, a determined statesman, and a dedicated patriot. But I shall remember him best as a most cherished friend.

I join with all of his colleagues—in both branches of the Congress and on both sides of the aisle—in lamenting the personal loss that is shared by his family and his friends in Washington and in his home State of Vermont.

Mr. O'KONSKI. I thank the gentleman for taking this time to pay tribute to a great American.

Former Senator PROUTY served as a valued Member of this House. He was an able Member, a well-respected Member of this House. He went to the other body and carried on in a manner even greater than he did in the House.

Not only the State of Vermont but also the whole Nation and the whole world have lost a great statesman, as we have lost Senator PROUTY.

Mr. SPRINGER. Mr. Speaker, the death of Senator WINSTON PROUTY at the peak of his political career is a tragic loss for his beloved State of Vermont and for the Nation.

I was particularly saddened because WIN PROUTY and I came to the Congress at the same time. We both were first elected to the House of Representatives in 1950. Previously he had served as speaker of his State's house of representatives and as chairman of the Vermont State Water Conservation Board.

WIN PROUTY's colleagues on both sides of the aisle had ample opportunity to become impressed with his statesmanlike qualities. The people of Vermont were impressed, too, so much so that they elected him to four successive terms in this House and three terms in the Senate. In these critical times the Nation can ill afford to lose men of the caliber of WIN PROUTY.

Mr. McCLORY. Mr. Speaker, it is with deep sadness that my colleagues and I have learned of the passing of Vermont's junior Senator, WINSTON L. PROUTY.

One could not know Senator PROUTY for long without developing an affection and respect for him. Senator PROUTY's quiet and unassuming manner concealed the depth of his thought and the conscientious judgment which he exercised on the great issues which he faced as a Member of the U.S. Senate.

Senator PROUTY devoted a great part of his life to public service. His knowledge of State and local government before entering the U.S. Senate contributed substantially to his senatorial service where the impact of major Federal legislation was necessarily measured by this background of rural and urban life in Vermont.

Mr. Speaker, in recalling his outstanding public service, it is appropriate to reflect also on his private and personal life. WIN PROUTY and his wife, Jennette, were always a gay and welcome addition at the social and cultural activities in our Nation's Capital. It was on a personal and friendly basis that I knew WIN PROUTY best, and it is on this friendly and personal basis that I join today in this expression of respect and affection.

Mr. Speaker, my wife Doris joins me in extending sympathy to Mrs. Jennette Prouty and to all members of the family of the late Senator WINSTON L. PROUTY of Vermont.

Mr. ROONEY of New York. Mr. Speaker, I sadly join with my colleagues today as we pay tribute to one of the fine men of our time, the late Senator WINSTON L. PROUTY of Vermont. I had the good fortune to come to know WIN PROUTY well during the 8 years he served in the House of Representatives. Although we differed somewhat in political philosophy, I had nothing but the highest respect and admiration for this soft spoken, retiring but very warm, man. WIN was a person of strong convictions and he voted those convictions be they popular or not. He was dedicated to serving the people of Vermont and the entire country. For more than three decades he devoted his life to public service both here and in his home State. The people of the State of Vermont and the entire Nation benefited from his selfless devotion to the principles of justice upon which this Nation was founded. We have all lost a good friend who will be sorely missed. To his wife and family I extend my deepest sympathy in their great loss.

Mr. MORSE. Mr. Speaker, I knew WINSTON PROUTY well, both as a good friend and a devoted public servant, and it is with great sorrow that I join with my colleagues today in paying tribute to him.

WIN PROUTY was a man of great warmth, great integrity, and great compassion. As mayor of his hometown, Newport, as speaker of the Vermont House of Representatives, and as a distinguished Member of both the House and Senate, he devoted himself totally to the work of public service. He fought diligently and tirelessly for greater educational opportunities, for the elderly, the workingman, the handicapped, and the poor. No one better understood the human needs of this country, and his efforts to better the health and welfare of all Americans will be felt and appreciated for many years to come.

His loss is profound, and I extend to his wife and loved ones my most heartfelt condolences.

MEMORIAL ADDRESSES
IN THE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

ADDRESS OF HON. JOE L. EVINS

OF TENNESSEE

Mr. Speaker, I was saddened to learn of the passing of our former colleague, Senator WINSTON L. PROUTY, of Vermont, and I want to take this means of paying a brief but sincere tribute to his memory.

Senator PROUTY served with distinction in the House before becoming a Senator and was a fellow "classmate" in the 80th Congress. We were longtime friends and served together in our first committee assignments as members of the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

As a Member of the House and later as a Senator from Vermont, WINSTON PROUTY was a tireless, dedicated public servant. He was a quiet, studious, hard-working legislator who made outstanding contributions to the preparation of vital and important legislation in the public interest. He was well-informed, and he did his homework. He was especially interested in assisting the Nation's older Americans and contributed much in this area and otherwise in the public interest.

Senator PROUTY served his beloved State and the Nation faithfully and well, and he will be greatly missed.

My wife, Ann, joins me in extending to Mrs. Prouty and other members of the family an expression of our deepest and most sincere sympathy in their loss and bereavement.

ADDRESS OF HON. PAGE BELCHER

OF OKLAHOMA

I would like to take this opportunity to express my feelings on the loss of a very fine gentleman, Senator WINSTON L. PROUTY.

WIN and I had known each other for more than 20 years. We were sworn into the 82d Congress together on January 3, 1951. He

was one of the first people that I looked up when I came to Congress, because my father was born in his State. As a result of our early acquaintance, we became very good friends and I always cherished his friendship very highly.

I believe I can say without reservation that he was a true friend to everyone that he came in contact with. He was a great representative while serving in the 82d, 83d, 84th, and 85th Congresses. We lost a great colleague in the House of Representatives when he left the House, but the people of his State gained a Senator of grand stature. The contributions that he made to this country while serving in the Congress were so outstanding that they are too numerable to list.

With his passing I have lost a dear friend and the people of this country have lost a great statesman. I would like to extend my deepest sympathy to his wife and loved ones.

ADDRESS OF HON. GERALD R. FORD

OF MICHIGAN

Mr. Speaker, all of us were saddened and shocked by the sudden passing of our dear friend, WIN PROUTY.

It was my great personal privilege to know WIN PROUTY intimately during his years from 1951 through 1958 in the House of Representatives. On first meeting WIN, one would get the impression he was somewhat restrained and aloof, but as your friendship expanded he became a warm and thoroughly charming person. WIN PROUTY will be sorely missed by his multitude of friends who had the privilege of knowing him on a personal basis and I was one so fortunate.

Historically, Vermont has a reputation of sending able, constructive, and effective legislators to the House of Representatives. WIN PROUTY, in his 8 years in the House, carried on that great tradition. His daily responsibilities in the House Committees on Foreign Affairs and Veterans' Affairs reflected his concern and expertise on problems affecting international matters and our war veterans.

On the floor of the House he stood fast for those principles in which he had deep conviction; and, likewise, he staunchly upheld the view-

point of his constituents, whom he so ably represented. At the same time WIN PROUTY had a broad, nonpartisan point of view which reflects his deep concern for all Americans in 49 other States, and he was a solid statesman on matters concerning the national security and international problems of the United States.

Those of us who knew and worked with WIN PROUTY in the House of Representatives were certain his career in the U.S. Senate would be one of continued accomplishment and success. By thoughtful judgments and dedicated actions WIN PROUTY in his own way became one of the most respected Members in the Senate.

History will record that the Congress has lost with WIN's passing one of its most distinguished legislators. The Nation has lost one of its finest citizens. My wife, Betty, and I have lost a fine friend whom we greatly respected and thoroughly enjoyed. I extend to his lovely wife, Jennette, our deepest condolences in this time of sadness. We all grieve with his passing, but are proud of the accomplishments of this fine man who has left an indelible record of achievements on the pages of history.

ADDRESS OF HON. R. LAWRENCE COUGHLIN

OF PENNSYLVANIA

Mr. Speaker, it is with sadness that I note the death of Senator WINSTON L. PROUTY, of Vermont.

For over 30 years he served his State with distinction: first as mayor of his hometown, then as a State representative, as chairman of the State water conservation board, as U.S. Congressman, and, for the last 13 years, as U.S. Senator.

As a Senator, he was known especially for his legislation in the field of elementary, secondary, and higher education and for his work in the expansion of social security benefits. As one similarly interested in these fields, I can say that his work here will be his monument.

In the Vermont tradition, Senator PROUTY was a hard worker, reserved in manner, with a deep sense of public responsibility, a man

of precision in both mind and speech, and a versatile piano player. Unquestionably we need more men like Senator PROUTY in public life. His death reminds us how rare such men are.

ADDRESS OF HON. JOHN B. ANDERSON

OF ILLINOIS

Mr. Speaker, the flag flies at half mast over the New Senate Office Building as his colleagues in both Houses of the Congress mourn the passing of Vermont's junior Senator, the distinguished WINSTON PROUTY. Though I was never privileged to serve with him personally, I feel myself beholden to this gentle but firm and wise man for bringing to his duties in the other body a spirit which reached far beyond the confines of the Senate Chamber and deeply influenced those of us in the House who share respect and admiration for him.

His work on the Commerce and Labor and Public Welfare Committees of the Senate, as well as the Rules Committee, will be remembered for its precision, for the responsible way in which it was conducted, and for the quiet but significant contributions which it made to much of the most important legislation which has been shaped by the Congress in recent years. We will all miss him, and I have no hesitation in saying that the loss will be felt as deeply here in the House as it will be among his colleagues in the Senate.

ADDRESS OF HON. FRANK T. BOW

OF OHIO

Mr. Speaker, the Nation's loss is also my personal loss for WINSTON L. PROUTY who came to the House when I did was a close friend with whom I shared many legislative objectives.

Senator PROUTY was my kind of conservative, the kind Ike had in mind when he spoke of being liberal where the welfare and human needs of the people are concerned, conservative in guarding their liberty and the public purse. It was in this frame of reference that Senator PROUTY was successful in establishing the small monthly payment for very old people who had never had an opportunity to work for social security annuities. The same philosophy supported his long dedication to assisting with the expenses of a college education and in many other endeavors.

It is sad to see a distinguished career end so abruptly and prematurely. It is gratifying to observe how much a man of this caliber can accomplish with whatever time is given him. WINSTON PROUTY will long be remembered by all who knew and worked with him. Tens of thousands of others who never hear his name will benefit from the worthwhile programs he worked so hard to establish.

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